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## LOCAL NOTES.

—Skates and sleds at J. O. Heaton's.

—We wish all our readers a very Merry Christmas.

—Oysters during the holdiday season at J. O. Heaton's.

—Mrs. John G. Gillam is visiting friends in Altoona.

—Go to W. G. Ewing, Mount Union, for timothy and clover seed.

—Five-cent dress plaids, 5c good yellow muslin at W. G. Ewing's, Mount Union, Pa.

—Mrs. W. H. Miller and daughter, of Tyrone, were among the Sunday visitors to Mapleton.

—George Schmittle, of Shade Gap, spent a few hours this morning among friends in Mapleton.

—Abram K. Miller, of Union township, killed a hog a few days ago which dressed 489 pounds.

—J. O. Heaton, Cassville, Pa., recommends and sells all of Chamberlain's remedies advertised in the ITEM.

—For clothing, hats, caps, shoes, shirts, etc., it will save you money to go to W. G. Ewing's, Mount Union, Pa.

—Misses Bertha and Elda Coder, two of Calvin's intelligent young ladies, were guests of Mapleton friends over Sunday.

—For dress goods, plaids, henriettas, ginghams, muslins, etc., it will pay you to go to W. G. Ewing's, Mount Union, Pa.

—Mrs. Harry Eade, of Burnham, was visiting among her many Mapleton friends during a couple days of the past week.

—Elijah Gillam, of Shaver's Creek, came down last Friday to see how his boys were behaving and was warmly greeted.

—T. H. Anderson, tenant on the Quinter farm above town, is erecting an ice house and cold storage building on the farm.

—The almost total eclipse of the moon commencing at 6.40 o'clock last Saturday evening was a beautiful sight. The sky was perfectly clear.

—Jesse Fetterhoof, one of Warriorsmark's prosperous and substantial citizens, was the guest of his daughter, Mrs. Dr. Spangler, during the past week.

—Frank Kelley, of Orbisonia, employed at the stone quarry at this place, had one of his fingers badly lacerated last Wednesday by getting it caught between two stones.

—Edward Foster, who is employed in the blacksmith shops of the Cambria Steel Company at Johnstown, is spending a two weeks' vacation with parents and friends in this vicinity.

—David Long and wife, of Johnstown spent a portion of the past week among friends and former neighbors in this vicinity. Upon their return home yesterday they were accompanied by Miss Blanche Young.

—B. Frank Corbin and wife, of Henderson township, came down to Mapleton last Wednesday to visit among friends and attend Salvation Army meeting. We were favored with a brief call from Mr. Corbin.

—Chapters of the Epworth League wishing ITEM topic cards for the ensuing six months will do us a favor to send in their orders this week. We cannot promise delivery by January 1st unless we get copy this week.

—Robert B. Jones, of Tell township, died suddenly on the 5th inst., of paralysis. He was aged 68 years and had been a member of the M. E. church for many years. He is survived by his wife and thirteen children.

—Rev. A. W. Guyer, a native of Warriorsmark valley, this county, died at his home in Duncansville, Blair county last Sunday. He was in his 68th year. Deceased entered the ministry of the M. E. church in 1854.

—An interesting communion service was held in the Presbyterian church on last Sabbath morning and was well attended. About fifty persons took the communion. It indicated a good spiritual condition of the church. The pastor and people feel encouraged.

—Tomorrow will be the shortest day of the year.

—A nice dress, or pair of blankets make a substantial Christmas gift. J. O. Heaton can supply you.

—Last Thursday afternoon at the M. E. Parsonage Rev. Henry Treverton pronounced the words which united in the holy bonds of matrimony Samuel C. Miller, of Indiana and Miss Clara M. Quarry, of Union township. The ITEM extends best wishes to the young couple.

—William Geissihger aged 67 years died at his home in Mill Creek last Thursday from gangrene caused by a shoe rubbing his foot. His wife, two sons and two daughters survive him. The remains were interred at Mill Creek last Saturday afternoon, services being conducted by Rev. Henry Treverton.

—This morning Mrs. Bruce Yocum was removed to the Jefferson Hospital, Philadelphia, for surgical treatment. Mrs. Yocum is a noble Christian woman and a host of friends are hoping that the trip may be fraught with beneficial results. Her husband and Dr. J. C. Stever, of Three Springs, accompanied her.

—Newton Hamilton *Watchman*:—Last week a glass sand company of Ohio bought the Johnston farm, west of Vineyard, adjoining the Forgy farm, and has men engaged in opening up a sand quarry and is arranging to erect large works on the premises. It is further stated that it will also erect glass works in the near future on the same farm.

—My son has been troubled for years with chronic diarrhoea. Sometime ago I persuaded him to take some of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. After using two bottles of the 25-cent size he was cured. I give this testimonial, hoping some one similarly afflicted may read it and be benefited. —THOMAS C. BOWER, Glencoe, O. For sale by J. G. Gillam.

—Among the members of the Quaker City Band, which has been holding forth in this place during the past week, is a man of learning and culture, Samuel J. Skeet by name. He is chief musician of the band. From his pen we are able to give our readers a touching poem and some valuable "Reflections." All the members of the band are gentlemen who attend strictly to their own business.

—As a cure for rheumatism Chamberlain's Pain Balm is gaining a wide reputation. D. B. Johnston, of Richmond, Ind., has been troubled with that ailment since 1862. In speaking of it he says: "I never found anything that would relieve me until I used Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It acts like magic with me. My foot was swollen and paining me very much, but one good application of Pain Balm relieved me. For sale by J. G. Gillam.

—Herbert Wilson, a justice of the peace and school teacher, of Barree township, has left for parts unknown. He was a collector of the delinquent county tax in his township certified out by the county treasurer, in which he is a defaulter to the amount of $600 to $800. The county commissionors promptly notified his bondsmen of the fact that they would be expected to make good the deficit, who at once took charge of his unfinished collections.—*News*

—Last Thursday morning a young man named Frank Rhodenhoffer who at one time had been employed in a brewery at Tyrone but whose home appears to be in Danville dropped into this community and engaged boarding at the Juniata House. He gave his name as Mills at the hotel but his aim seemed to be to make a "raise" off somebody. He didn't make as much headway as he desired although later developments demonstrated that he had a "taking" manner. Saturday morning he absconded and some of the other boarders have since been unable to find some articles of personal property. By some oversight he neglected to settle his board bill.

### The Salvation Army.

The detachment of the Salvation Army under the direction of Adjutant Kemp, which had been conducting services in the U. B. church closed its engagement last evening and departed today for Philadelphia. Much interest was manifested in their work and at every service the church was crowded. About fifteen persons professed conversion. Saturday evening they gave an entertainment descriptive of the work of the Salvation Army in all lands. On Sunday morning Ensign Arpe occupied the pulpit in the M. E. Church and Sunday evening preached for Rev. Treverton at Mill Creek. His remarks were very practical. Three services were held in the U. B. Church on Sunday all under the leadership of Adjutant Kemp.

There is no question but that the Salvation Army is doing a good work throughout the world. The peculiar methods employed are not what we in the country are accustomed to see but they are effective. The army is doing a great practical work by its colonization schemes and now has successful colonies established in New Jersey, Ohio, Colorado and California. To these colonies are sent those rescued from the slums of the large cities who are willing to accept the proffered aid and it is so much energy transferred from vice to honest industry. One of the principal products of these farm colonies is sugar beets and Claus Spreckles, the philanthropist and sugar king, contributes to the success of the colonies by purchasing all the sugar beets produced. Manufactories of different kinds, such as tile works, chair factories, brush making, broom factories box factories, etc., are also established in connection with each colony.

This detachment, known as the Quaker City Band, were delighted with their stay in this community and with the generous hospitality extended them. The Adjutant desires us to express his thanks to the people.


### SURE CURE FOR CROUP.

**Twenty-five Years' Constant Use Without a Failure.**

The first indication of croup is hoarseness, and in a child subject to that disease it may be taken as a sure sign of the approach of an attack. Following this hoarseness is a peculiar rough cough. If Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is given as soon as the child becomes hoarse, or even after the croupy cough appears, it will prevent the attack. It is used in many thousands of homes in this broad land and never disappoints the anxious mothers. We have yet to learn of a single instance in which it has not proved effectual. No other preparation can show such a record—twenty-five years' constant use without a failure. For sale by J. G. Gillam.


—Holiday candies, pure, fresh and inviting, at J. O. Heaton's, Cassville, Pa.

—During the year the Alexandria creamery made and sold, at an average price of 20 cents per pound, 28,875 pounds of butter, using 633,193 pounds of milk. The stockholders have been paid a dividend of 6 per cent. on the amount of capital invested, and $5,000 has been paid the farmers of Porter township for their milk. This makes an excellent showing for the first year of the creamery. It is no doubt one of the best paying creameries in this part of the state.

—Fine china and lamps, cheap, at J. O. Heaton's.

—J. G. Gillam guarantees every bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and will refund the money to any one who is not satisfied after using two-thirds of the contents. This is the best remedy in the world for la grippe, coughs, colds, croup and whooping cough and is pleasant and safe to take. It prevents any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia.

### From Honolulu, H. I.

[Letter from Drum Major Herbert Kelley to his parents in Altoona.]

HONOLULU, Friday, Nov. 3, 1899.

DEAR FRIENDS AND RELATIVES:—True to my promise to write you when I reached Honolulu, I will now do so. I'll try to describe it briefly. Of its politics, form of government, &c, you are already aware, so will tell you of its people, customs, &c. We arrived here at 8 A. M., Nov. 3d, and the work of filling up our coal bunkers began at once. A large coal barge was moved alongside our vessel and dozens of the natives began the task of throwing in enough coal to last us through the rest of our voyage.

The air was full of coal dust and I took a walk up town. The first thing that strikes a visitor's eye is the absence of familiar sights. Everything is different from anything I have ever seen. In every street and yard you see growing stately palms, just as we grow shade trees at home. The palmettos I saw in South Carolina were beautiful but not to be compared with the cocoanut palms of Hawaii.

One square from the dock is the Public Market, managed mostly by Chinese. Here you can buy anything you want in the way of fish, vegetables, fruit, etc. And such a display of fish, large and small and of varieties, I never seen or heard of. Next I visited the booth where they sold vegetables. Here another surprise awaited me. There were very few things I had ever seen before. What I thought was a bunch of banannas, the clerk told me was a kind of squash they grow here. I gave it up and went on to the next booth where a smiling mahogany-faced heathen sat selling all kinds of fancy work.

I left the market and after walking a few squares came out on a broad Esplanade and in front of me was the palace of Queen "Lil." Words are too weak to describe its grandeur both of building (which is rather small) and grounds covering many acres, filled with palms and flowers and fountains. I saw it at night and if it is beautiful by day, it is simply grand by night, lighted up by innumerable electric lights.

The next things that attracted my attention were the street cars. Primitive affairs with a Chinaman for a driver. I next visited the post-office. Here was another surprise. Here you never go inside the P. O. You find the boxes, stamp window, &c, all facing out on the street, and all you have to do is walk up, unlock your box and take out your mail.

Continuing on up the street, I found one real thing that was decidedly American and that was a drug store, and I had the pleasure of getting an ice cream soda. I also visited a machine shop and foundry and the foreman offered me a job at wages that almost took my breath away. Much as I might have desired to accept his offer I remembered that Uncle Sam had a claim on my services and I was forced to decline.

They have a peculiar way of running the stores here. Evidently there are few burglars, judging from the careless way they display their goods. The stores are nothing but sheds with shelves in them.

As to the natives, that is a different thing for me to describe for there are so many nationalities here that one hesitates to pick out the race that can truthfully claim this as the land of their nativity. There are a great many Americans, Portugese, Chinese and Japs here, but the native Hawaiiain is certainly an improvement on our American negro. As a rule they are rather intelligent, most of them can speak English and in conversing with some of them was surprised at their knowledge. They are rather fine looking people, nearly the color of the American Indian, but with more regular features and their hair like the Indian is black and straight.

I didn't get out into the country as my time was too limited so returned to the ship for supper. Immediately after supper we got shore leave and I visited the Japanese quarter where they were celebrating the Mikado's birthday in true oriental fashion, with red lights, fire crackers, etc., reminding me of Altoona on the Fourth of July. The streets were lighted with Japanese lanterns suspended on wires. The government band gave a concert that afternoon and the Jap band tried their hand at it at night and if you go to a boiler shop on a busy day you may have a faint idea of what their music sounds like.

Leaving the Japs and their celebration, I went down the street and my ears were greeted with the sound of a bass drum and tambourine. Turning the corner I found a Salvation Army band, headed by a pretty English lass, assisted by a few natives and whites. It seemed strange to see them here on these islands. After their street meeting I followed the crowd to their hall where they held services. The crowd was orderly although it consisted of about two hundred soldiers and almost every nation on the globe was represented there. After service I strolled down past the Queen's palace. If it was beautiful by day it was much more so by night, lit up as the grounds were by electric lights.

At eleven o'clock I returned to the ship, warm and tired. We don't need our overcoats here. A suit of mosquito netting would be more comfortable.

It is rumored we leave here to-day, but we are not coaled up yet. I send you a small Hawaiiain flag and will write you again when we reach the Philippines, till then, good bye.

Respectfully yours,
HERBERT O. KELLEY.
28th Regt. Band, U. S. V. I.


### A Night of Terror.

"Awful anxiety was felt for the widow of the brave General Burnham, of Machias, Me., when the doctors said she could not live till morning" writes Mrs. S. H. Lincoln, who attended her that fearful night. "All thought she must soon die from Pneumonia, but she begged for Dr. King's New Discovery, saying it had more than once saved her life, and had cured her of Consumption. After three small doses she slept easily all night, and its further use completely cured her." This marvelous medicine is guaranteed to cure all Throat, Chest and Lung Diseases. Only 50c and $1.00. Trial bottles free at B. O'Connor & Sons' store.

# SANTA CLAUS UP-TO-DATE.

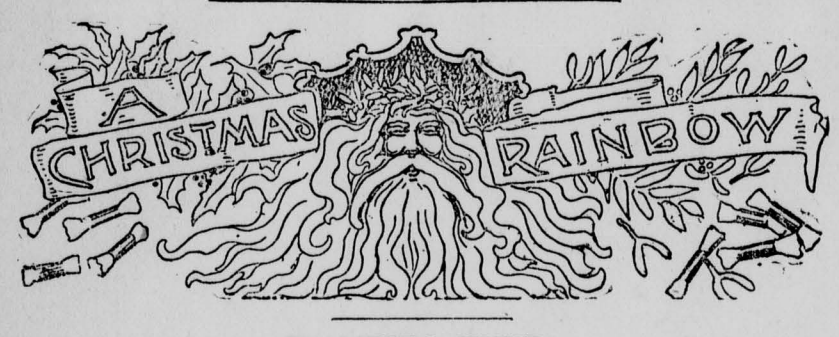
Ho! all you giggling girls and boys,
Gay dads and bachelors melancholy,
Fond mothers 'mid domestic joys
And maidens coy beneath the holly—
A startling tale my pen employs—
A truthful tale and wondrous jolly.

Last night when I had lingered late
With fascinating Kit McDonough,
We paused a bit at Kitty's gate,
And what d'ye think our gaze fell on, O?
Your old friend Santa up to date—
A winter-whiskered fat Cyrano!

In auto-car he flitted by,
His antiquated outfit scorning;
He lifted, as he caught Kit's eye,
The striped cap his head adorning.
Behind him presents towered high—
The very ones you found this morning!

Heigh-ho for days when drifts were deep
And sleighbells on the reindeers tinkled;
When dreams disturbed our tardy sleep,
And Santa came with snow besprinkled.
(I dare not guess what style he'll keep
When Kit and I are gray and wrinkled.)

—Frank Putnam.




By MEIRA HUNT.

"TELL me, dear, was there ever such a bore!" sighed Mildred as she threw herself upon a heap of cushions in the pretty oriel window.

"What is the matter!" said her mother, who was spending "blind man's holiday" in the glow of the firelight. "Has this rainy day been too much for my sunshiny daughter?"

"Some woes will bear patching," said Mildred, "but I don't see how even you can mend this one."

"It must be very bad indeed then," laughed Mrs. Windsor, "for usually you think me an expert in that line. Come over here by the fire, my dear, put on a bit of driftwood, and let us find a rainbow in the beautiful colors, while you tell me all about it."

Mildred slowly drew herself up and went towards the fire. The bits of ragged gray sticks did not look very promising, surely, but they were tossed, nevertheless, on the ebbing fire, while mother and daughter awaited in silence the cheery blaze. When the dainty colors began to dance about in glee, against the sooty background, Mildred nestled at her mother's feet and began to share her trouble.

"It's about Christmas,—not the doing-to-others part, nor the gifts either, but how to give the gifts to our very own, our nearest and dearest.

"It is all very easy in a large family, or where little children can be bidden to a tree laden with pretties and goodies. But what is the use of trying to make believe that big people are little folks again, and that it is great fun preparing for two or three people, where there are too few for a mystery and no one to surprise?

"We have tried to invite friends, but they so often have some excuse.

"Christmas is nearly here; for a wonder, my own gifts for Santa Claus's pack are ready and waiting; but what can we do to make our own home Christmas happy?"

"You do seem to be all in a tangle, dearie, but I am sure we can straighten it out some way.

"Let me see; there are how many of us? Seven, are there not? Why could we not weave a rainbow into our plans?"

"There! I knew you would help me, mother mine. Leave the rest to me, and I will surprise you, with the others. We shall have a Merry Christmas yet."

The days intervening before Christmas were busy ones for Mildred, and

A JOLLY REPAST WITH PLENTY OF MISTLETOE.

mystery hovered over her goings and comings, and reigned supreme behind the closed doors of her room.

Christmas evening came, and with it the few guests for whom it had seemed so difficult to plan. The dinner table was bright with holly and mistletoe. A tiny Christmas tree occupied the place of honor in the centre of the table. On it were baby-house candles, small flags, cornucopias, candies and mysterious little stockings filled with miniature bundles.

Bright red ribbons started from a big ball of red and green, hung beneath the chandelier, and spread Maypole fashion to the edges of the table, where they were fastened with knots of holly. There was holly on the pictures, about the room, holly for buttonhole bouquets—holly garnished the dishes, and gave a real Christmas flavor to everything.

After the nuts and raisins, the tiny tree was lighted, and the wee stockings were distributed.

What fun it was opening the small bundles!

A bottle of cologne appealed to one person, a little ring brought a shout of joy from the youngest guest, a dainty thimble for the industrious one, a silver stamp box for the letter writer, a brooch, a pocket pencil—it was wonderful how many useful things came out of those little stockings!

When all had been examined, the genial host moved that the company adjourn.

Then came Mildred's triumph.

"Now, papa, will you lead the way to the library, where we shall find a postscript from Santa Claus?"

At the library door the guests started in amazement. There in front of them was a large screen artistically draped with a fine flag; across the top were groups of small flags like a standing fringe.

In a corner stood a bushy Christmas tree, bright with the usual glitter and color. In front of the screen were hung mysterious bags of cambric, one for each color of the rainbow.

When the guests were seated, Mildred took a small wand in her hand and announced that, as Santa Claus had so much to do that evening, he had left a bag for each person on condition that every one should claim the right one.

Waving her wand towards her grandfather, she asked him to make the first guess. Alas! it was wrong. Once or twice she went around the circle before any one guessed the right bag.

Then Mildred says the owner must prove a right to the bag before she could deliver it. So saying, she handed over a small envelope containing a card on which were written a few lines of peoetry.

More mystery and guessing! The guests began to wonder if they ever should earn their gifts. At last some one discovered the clew; the envelopes contained acrostics on the names of the guests, and great amusement was afforded by reading these aloud.

One bag was long and narrow; the recipient was tall and slender; the color was that of his college.

Another bag was the favorite color of the one for whom it was filled; its shape was very wide and stout. The owner of this bag received the booby prize for being the last to guess correctly.

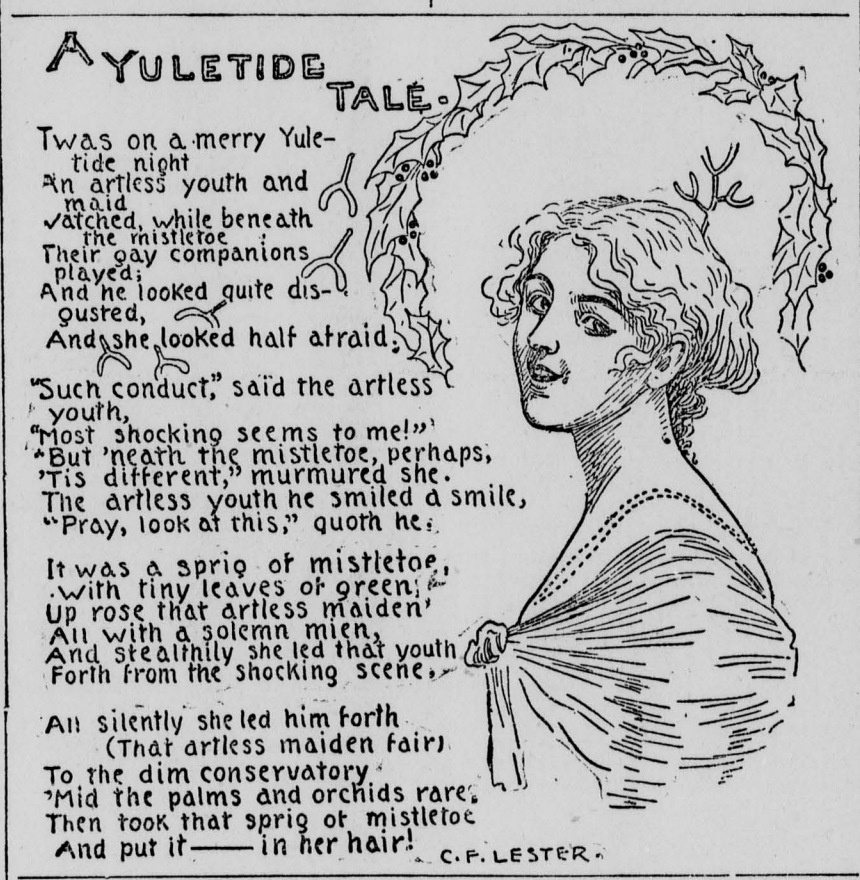
He explained that he had not been willing to select that bag sooner, in spite of his fondness for the color, as he feared to be thought greedy.

The prize was a ridiculous tin toy; the first prize was a toy watch and chain, presented with due ceremony.

At last came the fun of opening the bags, comparing discoveries and thanking those donors who were present.

Bags of bright colors were provided for the servants too; not one was left out, and they were present to receive them.

Lighting the tree closed the ceremony, and Mildred had the satisfaction of knowing that her guests, though few, had been thoroughly entertained with the fruit of her own thought and handiwork, while none of the old charms that make Christmas beautiful had been omitted.


A YULETIDE TALE.
Twas on a merry Yuletide night
An artless youth and maid
Watched, while beneath the mistletoe
Their gay companions played;
And he looked quite disgusted,
And she looked half afraid.
"Such conduct," said the artless youth,
"Most shocking seems to me!"
"But 'neath the mistletoe, perhaps,
'Tis different," murmured she.
The artless youth he smiled a smile,
"Pray, look at this," quoth he.
It was a sprig of mistletoe,
With tiny leaves of green;
Up rose that artless maiden
All with a solemn mien,
And stealthily she led that youth
Forth from the shocking scene.
All silently she led him forth
(That artless maiden fair)
To the dim conservatory
'Mid the palms and orchids rare.
Then took that sprig of mistletoe
And put it—— in her hair!
C. F. LESTER.

### A Postal Santa Claus.

A postal Santa Claus visits the Boston postoffice every year during the week before Christmas. No one knows his name, and those whom he helps do not even know that they have been helped.

Many packages are mailed every year to go to foreign countries or to other parts of the United States as Christmas presents, and for some reason postage is not fully paid on all of them. In such cases the packages are either returned to the sender or sent to the dead-letter office and the persons for whom they are intended are disappointed.

The postal Santa Claus calls at the postoffice and pays all the postage due on these packages and they are forwarded without delay. Santa Claus paid more than $20 in this way last year and disappeared without leaving his name, and this year he has come again to repeat his good deeds.

### A Devonshire Belief.

A belief was long current in Devon and Cornwall, and it is said to still linger in remote parts of the country, that at midnight on Christmas eve the cattle in their stalls fell on their knees in adoration of the Saviour, as they are said to have done in the stable at Bethlehem. Bees were also believed to sing in their hives at the same time, and bread baked on Christmas eve, it was averred, never became mouldy.

### The Peacock a Christmas Bird.

The peacock was the favorite Christmas bird with our English ancestors. The preparation of his peacockship was elaborate and expensive, and could be done only by an expert cook, who usually sent the bird to the table with his comb gilt and his tail spread.

## DON'TS FOR CHRISTMAS

### What to Give and What Not to Give Your Friends.

Don't pay more for the Christmas tree than you pay for the fruit.

Don't send your gentleman adorer a gold toothpick. He may have false teeth.

Don't send your pastor embroidered slippers. To travel the strait and narrow path requires hobnailed shoes.

Don't buy your daughter a piano and your wife a washtub. If you reverse the order, you will do justice to both.

Don't place your expectations of a Christmas gift too high. You may have to put your foot in your stocking to find anything in it.

Don't make your friend a present and be disappointed because he doesn't give something. Perhaps you have surprised him.

Don't give presents to people not quite so prosperous as yourself and tell them not to reciprocate because they can't afford to make presents.

Be just before you are generous. Pay your debts before you buy presents. Your creditors may consider that they have received an unexpected gift.

Don't give your boy a drum and forbid him beating it, nor your daughter a horse and order her not to take it out of the stable without your permission.

### Quotations For Christmas Gifts.

The passing of the Christmas card is thoroughly signalized by the vogue given the selected quotation, which is now made an important adjunct to every Christmas gift. The selection of a quotation which is appropriate and personal evidences the desire of the sender to express a special greeting. The quotations given below may possibly be of value to our readers:

With some trifling present, Shakespeare's

"My good will is great though the gift be small."

With a pair of slippers, Dickens'

"We must go together."

With a book of travel, Stevenson's

"It takes the mind out-of-doors."

With a calendar, Emerson's

"Write it on your heart that every day is the best day of the year."

With a pair of gloves, Dickens'

"We're a pair, if ever there was one."

With a change purse, Dickens'

"We must expect change."

With a work-bag, the old Proverb:

"It is never too late to mend."

With a silver plate given to a small child, Eugene Field's

"When thou shalt eat from off this plate
I charge thee: Be thou temperate;
Unto thine elders at the board
Do thou sweet reverence accord.
Though unto dignity inclined,
Unto the serving folk be kind;
Be ever mindful of the poor,
Nor turn them hungry from the door;
And unto God for health and food,
And all that in thy life is good,
Give thou thy heart in gratitude."

### Christmas Twice a Year.

Some children think that Christmas day
Should come two times a year;
But that is not at all the way
That it should be, I fear.

For in the summer Christmas-trees
Are very, very small;
And all the games and toys one sees,
They are not ripe at all!

The dolls are very tiny ones;
The wagons will not go;
The balls are littler than buns—
It takes them months to grow!

The candy it is, oh, so sour!
The guns they will not shoot,
There's need of many an autumn shower
To ripen Christmas fruit!

—St. Nicholas.

### Romans Used Christmas Greens.

It seems odd that Christmas Day should be so bound up with customs and observations which are but a survival of superstition and heathenish rites. The use of evergreens, for instance, is one of these. The Romans ornamented their temples with them during the feast of Saturn, while ivy was universally used by them in the orgies attending the honor of Bacchus. The ancient Druids hung green branches and mistletoe over their doors as a propitiation to woodland sprites.

### A Christmas Plea.

Don't look up the chimney, sweetheart,
For Kris Kringle and his things;
But leave your door a bit apart
For Cupid's dainty wings.

### A Tip to Santa Claus.

Jimmy—"There, now, dat looks bully; I hope he'll take de hint an' put some new stockings dere 'fore he does anything else."

### The Name of Redvers.

The uncommon name of Redvers, now so familiar in this country, was given to Sir Redvers Buller by reason of his descent from the Courtenay family, whose ancestry was Earl Redvers. In Nelson's day every other boy for two or three years was christened Horatio Nelson, and Arthur multiplied amazingly during the triumphant days of Wellington. Probably five years hence there will be many more bearers of the name of Redvers than there are to-day.—London Chronicle.


### Beauty Is Blood Deep.

Clean blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascarets, Candy Cathartic clean your blood and keep it clean, by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin to-day to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascarets,—beauty for ten cents. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed. 10c, 25c, 50c.


Missouri sold $224,447 worth of corncob pipes in 1898.


### Christmas Holiday Excursion Rates.

The Southern Railway, account of Christmas holidays, announces a rate of one and one-third first-class standard one way fare via Washington, to all points south and east of the Mississippi River.

Tickets to be sold December 22d, 23d, 24th 25th, also December 30th and 31st, 1899, with extreme limit January 4th, 1900.

HOLIDAY RATES FOR SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES.

Tickets will be sold at one and one-third fare standard one way from Washington to all points south and east of Mississippi River tickets on sale December 15th to 21st, 1899, with final limit January 4th, 1900, upon presentation of certificate signed by the superintendent, principal or president thereof.

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The ordinary human nose is two inches long.


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The equipment of the Washington and Southwestern Limited and Sunset Limited is of the highest excellence. Address Alex. S. Thweatt, Eastern Passenger Agent, 271 Broadway, New York.


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H. H. GREEN'S SONS, of Atlanta, Ga., are the only successful Dropsy Specialists in the world. See their liberal offer in advertisement in another column of this paper.


Bombay has a railroad which is used in connection with the sanitation of the town.


### How Are Your Kidneys?

Dr. Hobbs' Sparagus Pills cure all kidney ills. Sample free. Add Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or N. Y.


The first use of a locomotive in this country was in 1829.


**Attention is called to the very useful articles contained in the premium list of the Continental Tobacco Co.'s advertisement of their Star Plug Tobacco in another column of this paper. It will pay to save the "Star" tin tags and so take advantage of the best list ever issued by the Star Tobacco**


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Ask your Grocer to-day to show you a package of GRAIN-O, the new food drink that takes the place of coffee.

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Insist that your grocer gives you GRAIN-O
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If afflicted with sore eyes, use } **Thompson's Eye Water**

# ENGLAND IS AROUSED.

## An Army of 180,000 Men to Be Assembled in South Africa.

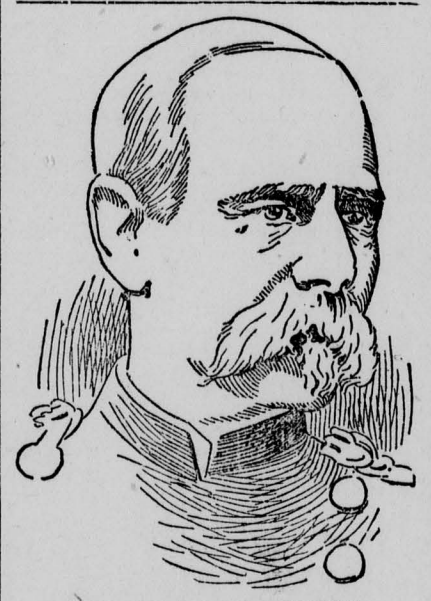
## LORD ROBERTS REPLACES BULLER

**General Kitchener Will Go to Command the Chief Army of Invasion—Queen Calls Out the Entire Reserve—Northern Part of Cape Colony Practically in Rebellion—New Campaign Planned.**

LONDON (By Cable).—The Ministers have faced the crisis bravely. Lord Roberts will go to Cape Town as Commander-in-Chief, with General Kitchener as his Chief of Staff. The best two men are called out and General Buller is left in command in Natal.

The following notice was posted at the War Office:

"As the campaign in Natal, in the opinion of Her Majesty's Government, is likely to require the presence and undivided attention of General Sir Redvers Buller, it has been decided to send Baron Roberts, of Kandahar, and Waterford as Commander in-Chief in South Africa, with Lord Kitchener as Chief of Staff."



FIELD MARSHAL LORD ROBERTS.

(He has been ordered to South Africa to supersede General Buller in command of the British forces.)

But a short time before the following announcement was made:

"Acting upon the advice of the military authorities Her Majesty's Government has approved the following measure:

"All the remaining portions of the army reserve, including Section D, are called out. The Seventh Division, which is being mobilized, will proceed to South Africa without delay. The Commander-in-Chief in South Africa has been authorized to continue to raise at his discretion local troops, mounted.

"Nine battalions of militia in addition to two battalions which have already volunteered for service at Malta and one for service in the Channel Islands, will be allowed to volunteer for service outside of the United Kingdom; and an equivalent number of militia battalions will be embodied for service at home.

"A strong force of volunteers, selected from the yeomanry regiments, will be formed for service in South Africa.

"Arrangements are being made, and will shortly be announced, for the employment in South Africa of a strong contingent of carefully selected volunteers. The patriotic offers which are being received from the colonies will, so far as possible, be accepted, preference being given to offers of mounted contingents."

These startling orders mean that almost the whole strength of the British Empire will be thrown into South Africa. The mobilization of the troops will be pushed with the greatest possible speed and the fastest ships from the British mercantile marine will be used to hurry the forces to the Cape. It is calculated that these reenforcements will begin to reach South Africa in about five weeks.

Meantime, the original campaign will be abandoned and a general policy of mark time will be adopted by the commanders of the forces now in the field. All the indications now point to the beginning of a great campaign late in January. Meantime Ladysmith, Kimberley and Mafeking must wait. Their situation is perilous, but according to all accounts there is no serious danger that famine will be added to their other sufferings.

The news of Great Britain's tremendous preparations may spur the Boers into serious aggression before the fresh British troops arrive, but thus far they have shown no desire to attack entrenched forces, while the British disasters have been caused by just that thing.

General Buller reports to the War Office that his losses were: Killed, 82; wounded, 667; missing, 348; a total of 1097.

The Times, commenting on the situation, says:

"Neither the Crimean war nor the Indian mutiny gave rise to greater dangers to the empire than that with which we are now menaced; nor at either of those critical periods was Great Britain so isolated politically, or regarded with such dislike and suspicion as are now almost everywhere apparent. We are fighting not merely for supremacy in South Africa, but for our position as a great power. We know we have miscalculated the strength of our foe, and we are resolved to make that miscalculation good."

The Liberal organs foreshadow a serious reckoning for the government when the time comes. The Daily Chronicle hints that General Sir William Butler, who was recalled from the Cape command because of his Boer sympathies, long ago advised the Government that the prosecution of Mr. Chamberlain's policy would make heavy reinforcements for the Cape imperative.

## REBELLION IN CAPE COLONY.

**Whole Northern Part of the Country With the Boers.**

STERKSTROOM, Cape Colony (By Cable).—As a result of the British reverses, the whole country to the northward is virtually in a state of rebellion.

The natives there, as well as those in Basutoland, are said to be much disturbed and to be losing heart regarding the strength of the British.

# BIG FAILURE IN BOSTON.

## The John P. Squire Company, Meat Packers, Makes an Assignment.

## A NATIONAL BANK GOES DOWN.

**The Broadway National in a Receiver's Hands—State and City Money Tied Up—Concerns Affiliated With the Squire Company Take Action—No Fears of Additional Disasters.**

BOSTON (Special).—The John P. Squire Company, one of the largest concerns in the meat packing business in the East, has made an assignment to Herman W. Chaplin, a lawyer of this city. The liabilities are estimated at $3,000,000 and the assets at $5,000,000, the latter including a recent appraisal of the plants, in East Cambridge and Somerville, at $2,000,000. The company was incorporated in 1896, and has a paid up capital of $3,000,000, stock being largely held in the Squire family.

The business will be carried on without change by Mr. Chaplin, as the assignee. The creditors are chiefly banks, the Globe National Bank, of this city, being one of the heaviest. Other Boston banks are involved to some extent, but the indebtedness is largely outside of Boston, divided principally among banks in New England States in which the Squire Company has branch stores.

These corporations affiliated with the John P. Squire Company have voted to assign to H. W. Chaplin: Lake Champlain Provision Company, Burlington, Vt.; New Hampshire Provision Company, Concord, N. H.; John B. Towle & Co., Corporation, Manchester, N. H.; Maine Provision and Cold Storage Company, Portland, Me.; Holyoke Provision and Cold Storage Company, Holyoke, Mass.

As a result of the failure of the John P. Squire Company the Broadway National Bank here, in which the Squires were largely interested, did not open its doors the following day, and a notice at the entrance stated that the affairs of the bank were in the hands of the Controller of the Currency.

The news that the bank had closed caused considerable excitement in financial circles, which had not entirely recovered from the disturbance occasioned by the announcement that the Globe National Bank had received credit from the Clearing House to the extent of $300,000.

It did not take long for the news of the trouble to circulate widely, and all sorts of wild rumors were added to the main fact. These reports made mention of other banks with which the Squires were connected, and one or two institutions which, it was said, would be most likely to feel the influence of the disturbance. For an hour these conditions prevailed, but as one after the other of the banks mentioned was found to be doing business as usual the agitation began to subside, and by 11 o'clock affairs apparently had resumed their normal state.

The Broadway National Bank was incorporated in 1853. Its last statement, presented at the close of business December 9, showed the following figures: Capital, $200,000; loans, $1,995,000; circulation, $45,000; individual deposits, $2,343,000; due banks, $131,000; due from agents, $274,000. Expenses: Clearing house, $273,000; due from banks, $163,000; five per cent. funds, $2250; legal tender, $158,000; specie, $113,000.

It seemed to be the opinion among bankers that no important failures would follow the closing of the institution. A prominent banker said that the management of financial affairs in Boston was in the hands of able men who would do all in their power to avert additional disasters.

The city of Boston was a depositor in the Broadway National, and $97,000 of city money is tied up. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts also had a deposit in the bank amounting to about $50,000.

## LIEUTENANT BRUMBY DEAD.

**Admiral Dewey's Flag Lieutenant the Victim of Typhoid Fever.**

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—Lieutenant Thomas M. Brumby, Dewey's flag lieutenant at the battle of Manila, died at the Garfield Hospital from typhoid fever and a complication of diseases.

Lieutenant Brumby, after returning from Georgia, where he went to accept a sword given him by the people of his State, was taken down with a mild form of fever. His system, weakened by his service in the tropics, was unable to withstand the disease, and about Thanksgiving Day he was taken to the hospital. Other complications followed, and for a week before the collapse came his life was despaired of.

Lieutenant Brumby was appointed a naval cadet from Georgia, entering the service in September, 1873. His present commission dates from the 24th of August, 1892. He served on the New York and the Vermont from 1893 to 1896. He was at the Naval Observatory from September, 1897, to January, 1898, when he was ordered to the Olympia as flag lieutenant.

In August, 1898, President McKinley advanced Lieutenant Brumby five numbers for "eminent and conspicuous conduct in battle." In October last the citizens of Georgia presented to him a handsome sword and gave him a great reception at Atlanta.

## CHILD CAUSES FOUR DEATHS.

**Throws Powder Into a Fire and Causes an Explosion.**

LOUISA, Ky. (Special).—At Alliance Postoffice, Floyd County, Nelson Hamilton was pouring out some gunpowder from a keg, when his four-year-old son picked up a small amount and tossed it into the fire. The explosion threw some embers into the pile of powder and a terrific explosion followed.

The father and little son and two older children, who were in the room, were knocked insensible. The ceiling was lifted from its place, the walls spread, and the upper part of the house came down and stopped about half-way on the walls, thus fastening all the doors securely.

When the oldest daughter regained consciousness sufficiently to realize that the house was in flames she tried to open a door, but at once saw the hopelessness of such an effort and began to screamed for help. A neighbor arrived in time to burst in a door and get the tortured persons out, but they were so badly burned that all died within a few hours.

**British Losses in South Africa.**

The British losses in South Africa, excluding deaths from disease, now reach a total of 7630.

If silverware is kept clean it does not often have to be polished. After using the silver it should always be washed with a suds, made by dissolving some shavings of Ivory Soap in warm water, then wiped dry and rubbed lightly with a soft paper, a chamois skin or a piece of flannel.

All highly-polished metal surfaces will retain their polish much longer if this plan is followed and rubbing with compounds avoided as much as possible.

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It is written that commercial travelers in England have discovered that about half their time is consumed in disagreeable and unprofitable waiting on railway platforms or at junctions for delayed trains. Commercial men do not care to waste time. Many of them are trying motor carriages and motor-cycles for their work, and find considerable saving of time results and that the enjoyment of driving a motor relieves the mental and physical strain attendant on their ocupation.

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| 1 | Match Box | 23 | Clock, 8-day, Calendar, Thermometer, Barometer 500 |
| 2 | Knife, one blade, good steel 25 | 24 | Gun case, leather, no better made. 500 |
| 3 | Scissors, 4½ inches 25 | 25 | Revolver, automatic, double action, 32 or 38 caliber 600 |
| 4 | Child's Set, Knife, Fork and Spoon 25 | 26 | Tool Set, not playthings, but real tools 650 |
| 5 | Salt and Pepper Set, one each, quadruple plate on white metal 50 | 27 | Toilet Set, decorated porcelain, very handsome 800 |
| 6 | French Briar Wood Pipe 25 | 28 | Remington Rifle No. 4, 22 or 32 cal. 800 |
| 7 | Razor, hollow ground, fine English steel 50 | 29 | Watch, sterling silver, full jeweled 1000 |
| 8 | Butter Knife, triple plate, best quality 60 | 30 | Dress Suit Case, leather, handsome and durable 1000 |
| 9 | Sugar Shell, triple plate, best qual. 60 | 31 | Sewing Machine, first class, with all attachments 1500 |
| 10 | Stamp Box, sterling silver 70 | 32 | Revolver, Colt's, 38-caliber, blued steel 1500 |
| 11 | Knife, "Keen Kutter," two blades 75 | 33 | Rifle, Colt's, 16-shot, 22-caliber 1500 |
| 12 | Butcher Knife, "Keen Kutter," 8-in blade 75 | 34 | Guitar (Washburn), rosewood, inlaid 2000 |
| 13 | Shears, "Keen Kutter," 8-inch 75 | 35 | Mandolin, very handsome 2000 |
| 14 | Nut Set, Cracker and 6 Picks, silver plated 80 | 36 | Winchester Repeating Shot Gun, 12 gauge 2000 |
| 15 | Base Ball, "Association," best qual. 100 | 37 | Remington, double-barrel, hammer Shot Gun, 10 or 12 gauge 2000 |
| 16 | Alarm Clock, nickel 150 | 38 | Bicycle, standard make, ladies or gents 2500 |
| 17 | Six Genuine Rogers' Teaspoons, best plated goods 150 | 39 | Shot Gun, Remington, double barrel, hammerless 3000 |
| 18 | Watch, nickel, stem wind and set 200 | 40 | Regina Music Box, 15½ inch Disc 5000 |
| 19 | Carvers, good steel, buckhorn handles 200 | | |
| 20 | Six Genuine Rogers' Table Spoons, best plated goods 250 | | |
| 21 | Six each, Knives and Forks, buckhorn handles 250 | | |
| 22 | Six each, Genuine Rogers' Knives and Forks, best plated goods 500 | | |

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### TROUGH CREEK.

Mrs. Alleman, of Kipple, is visiting friends in the valley.

Rev. Bryner gave us an acceptable sermon at Pine Grove, Sunday.

N. Q. Wright butchered a three-year-old Holstein last week that dressed 695 pounds.

Frank Merrick, of near Upper Sandusky, Ohio, is visiting his aunt, Mrs. Barton Greenland.

Denny Swope is home, he says, for fifteen days. He says he is working for the Pittsburg and Lake Erie railroad.

W. L. Swope is building a larger ice house, his butter trade requiring more ice than he could store in his old one.

Our clever neighbor, Abner Greenland, has been somewhat indisposed of late. We hope to see him around in a few days.

The Farmers' institute that was billed for Trough Creek church will be held in the M. E. church at Calvin January 16th and 17th.

W. E. Wright, who taught his neighbors last summer that corn could be raised without cultivating after planting, is having coal hauled to burn a stack of lime.

It seems to me that anyone traveling over the main road in our valley can readily see the advantage of a road machine on our valley roads, although the machine was not used on the creek road in Cass township since 1898.

J. C. Pheasant was married last Thursday and on Friday was escorted to his father's by the fantastics in good style. We are without particulars further than one wagon drawn by four horses which contained seven dinner bells which made a part of the music. Ye correspondent wishes the happy couple abundant happiness and success.

Fifteen is the most rabbits that we have heard of being killed by one person this season. Some of our hunters killed more than that in one day last year. We hope they will continue to grow scarce year by year and that our next legislature will pass a law prohibiting the killing of partridges at any time for at least ten years.

Our supervisor last week took out the small bridge in the road crossing the bottom at Calvin which was declared a nuisance by some of the citizens in the community. The writer, when serving as supervisor, seeing the great amount required to keep the small culverts covered, filled up a number of these places and there are quite a number yet that should be filled up and tiled, making a cheaper and much safer and nicer road.

### COLE'S SUMMIT.

A merry Christmas to all.

A dash of the beautiful came again on Friday last,

L. E. Chilcoat and best girl spent Sabbath last with friends in Springfield township.

The hunting season is over and how some people will spend their spare time is a puzzle.

We are glad our Trough Creek correspondent has again taken up the pen. Do not be discouraged, we are all censured more or less.

Luther Smith, wife and daughter, who have been visiting friends here for several days, returned to their home in Altoona on Thursday last.

Curtin and William Elias and Joseph Chilcoat made a business trip to Orbisonia one day recently. Curtin remained over night. It seems there is some attraction for him in the sister village.

Recent visitors to our village were Mrs. E. L. Roher and Miss Verna Roher, of near Selea P. O., Mrs. Dr. Taylor, of Orbisonia, Rev. Dillen, of Three Springs, Charley Smith and wife, of the Mountain City, Miss Lenora Greenland, of Saltillo.

The protracted meeting at Fairview U. B. church, we are sorry to say, has closed and no one saved. Yet we trust the bread cast upon the waters will yet bring forth fruit as Rev. Dillen faithfully and plainly preached the pure gospel to his people.

Mr. Nathan Greenland, of West Virginia, is circulating amongst friends in this community. As he was plodding along the public road this side North Point he met a wildcat. He said it was very slow to leave the road. He thinks they are more inclined to be friendly in old Pennsylvania than in his state, West Virginia.

### SALTILLO.

Our schools are moving along nicely.

H. T. Weaver shot a twenty-four-pound turkey on Thursday.

Isaac Bird, an old soldier from Todd, was visible on our streets on Friday.

Many of our people spent the time on Saturday evening viewing the eclipse on the moon.

The borough of Saltillo is a growing town. It contains the largest tannery in the county, three churches, three schools, seven stores, two flouring mills, two blacksmith shops, one first-class wagonmaker shop, one tin shop, one carpet weaver, two hotels, two cabinet-makers, one jeweler, one barber and two menders of soles, two milliners where the fair sex can purchase any and everything from a hair pin to a full costume, several mineral springs, one sawmill of the old kind—water power—that goes up to-day and down to-morrow, one planing mill and many other minor industries. Last but not least, one good physician.

### CASSVILLE.

Mrs. Frank Myerley is quite ill with acute rheumatism.

Rev. Glass is conducting a protracted meeting at Bowman's chapel.

Mr. and Mrs. George Myerley have purchased a very fine new organ.

Visitors, Miss Minnie Linn, Chloe Chilcote, Mrs. Boring, R. Williamson.

A Christmas entertainment will be held in the Methodist church on Monday evening, the 25th, at 7.30 o'clock. Everybody invited.

Rev. Traver preached a temperance sermon in the Lutheran church. The different choirs took part in the music, which consisted of a quartette and a solo, "Some Mother's Child," by Mary Glass.

### LATTA GROVE.

The stave mill is idle owing to a break down.

Alvah Dell is employed at the brick works at Mount Union.

D. H. Walker killed a hog last week which dressed 348 pounds.

Bruce Smith, of Altoona, spent Sunday with his mother at this place.

Horace Wright, of Smith valley, had one of his feet badly hurt by a horse falling on it.


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### DECEMBER COURT.

The second week of December court proved to be a full one as it was late on Saturday afternoon when the last session adjourned.

The first case tried was S. W. Cummins vs. German American Insurance company, which was decided in favor of the plaintiff.

The second case, Samuel F. Krider vs. the township of Warriorsmark, for damages for personal injuries received while driving along the public road below Birmingham, was one of the closest cases which has been tried in this court for a long time and was bitterly contested on both sides. Messrs. H. H. Davis, of Altoona, and W. H. & J. S. Woods, of Huntingdon, representing the plaintiff, and Messrs. H. H. Waite and Thos. F. Bailey the defendant township. The jury returned a verdict in favor of the township. Leave was granted the plaintiff to file reasons for new trial within ten days.

The next case was an issue awarded the sheriff's inter-pleader act of 1897, to determine the ownership of a certain portable engine levied upon under an execution of Hon. E. O. Rogers vs. Chas. Cornelius, and claimed by the Geiser Manufacturing Co. Messrs. Woods and Waite represented the plaintiff in the execution and Messrs. Bailey and Brewster the Geiser Manufacturing Co. The jury found for the execution plaintiff. Motions and reasons for new trial were filed by both sides.

The last case was an appeal from the award of arbitrators brought by T. J. C. Yocum, of Nossville, vs. The Pennsylvania Railroad company, to recover damages for the loss of a piece of baggage, which he claimed was due to negligence on the part of the railroad company. The jury found in favor of the defendant company.

In re estate of Irvin Hefright, a minor, a rule was awarded to show cause why I. D. Kuntzleman should not pay certain income toward the maintenance and education of said minor,

Chas. C. Brewster, Esq., was appointed auditor to hear and decide exceptions to the first and final account of Amos Griffith and D. A. Griffiith, executors of the estate of John Griffith, late of Tod township, deceased.

Return of sale of real estate of Sarah Robb, late of Walker township, deceased, was confirmed nisi.

Upon the petition of a large number of citizens of the adjacent community, C. E. Benson, J. Quincy Dell and David Funk were appointed viewers to fix site for a bridge over Raystown Branch near its mouth.

Thos. F. Bailey, Esq., was appointed auditor to distribute balance in hands of W. C. Knode, executor of Joseph Knode, late of Porter township, deceased.

In re Huntingdon County vs. Herbert Wilson, et al., attachment under act of 1869, rule awarded to show cause why said attachment should not be quashed.

In re divorce, Jennie Walls vs. John Walls, alias subpoena awarded.


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### AN ORDINANCE

To authorize the Central Pennsylvania Telephone Company to erect and maintain poles for telephone lines in the borough of Saltillo, Pennsylvania.

WHEREAS: The Central Pennsylvania Telephone & Supply Company has applied to the authorities of the borough of Saltillo, Pennsylvania, for permission to erect poles and run wires on the same over or under the streets, lanes and alleys of said borough as provided by the 4th section of an act entitled, "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations" as amended by an act approved 25th June, 1885.

Therefore be it ordained and enacted by the Chief Burgess and Town Council of the borough of Saltillo, Pennsylvania, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same:

SECTION 1. That the Central Pennsylvania Telephone and Supply Company, its successors or assigns, its or their agents, servants and employees are permitted to erect and maintain in the streets, lanes and alleys of the borough of Saltillo, Pennsylvania, and over or under the same, a line or lines of poles and wires, with all such necessary and usual fixtures therefor as may be necessary for the successful prosecution of a telephone or signal business by means of electricity.

SECTION 2. That the poles shall be reasonably straight and with the fixtures so to be erected shall be put in a safe and substantial manner and shall be located by the street committee or the street commissioner under their direction in such manner as not to obstruct said streets, lanes and alleys in their ordinary and customary use and shall be erected, maintained and cared for at the cost of said Company.

Ordained and enacted into an ordinance this 13th day of December, A. D., 1899.

GEO. SLEEMAN,
President Borough Council.

ATTEST:
PAUL, RUPERT, [Seal]
Clerk of Council

Approved this 13th day of December, 1899.

C. B. CRUM,
Chief Burgess.

ATTEST:
PAUL, RUPERT, [Seal]
Clerk of Council.


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Mapleton Depot, Pa., Dec. 20, 1899.


## PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

SCHEDULE IN EFFECT NOV. 19, 1899.

| | P.M. | Night. | A.M | A.M. | A.M. | P.M* |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| New York.... | 8.00 | 12.15 | ..... | ..... | 9.30 | 1.00 |
| Philadelphia. | 11.20 | 4.30 | 7.00 | 8.50 | 12.25 | 4.35 |
| Washington... | 10.40 | ..... | ..... | 7.55 | 10.50 | ..... |
| Baltimore ..... | 11.55 | 4.55 | ..... | 8.55 | 12.00 | ..... |
| | D'ly | D'ly. | D'ly. | D'ly. | D'ly. | Dly |
| | A.M | A. M. | A. M. | A. M. | P. M. | PM. |
| Harrisburg..... | 3.00 | 8.00 | 11.48 | 11.45 | 3.45 | 5.00 |
| Rockville ..... .... | | 8.12 | 11.59 | ..... | ..... | 5.13 |
| Marysville..... | 3.14 | 8.17 | 12.03 | ..... | ..... | 5.18 |
| Duncannon..... | 3.29 | 8.35 | 12.16 | ..... | 4.10 | 5.34 |
| Newport ..... | 3.52 | 9.05 | 12.37 | ..... | 4.30 | 6.02 |
| Millerstown. ... .... | | 9.15 | 12.45 | ..... | ..... | 6.11 |
| Thompsontown .... | | 9.26 | 12.53 | ..... | ..... | 6.21 |
| Port Royal..... | 4.25 | 9.44 | 1.07 | ..... | 4. 57 | 6.38 |
| Mifflin ..... | 4.30 | 9.50 | 1.11 | ..... | 5.02 | 6.43 |
| Lewistown Jc. | 4.52 | 10.13 | 1.30 | 1.10 | 5.22 | 7.07 |
| McVeytown.... | 5.15 | 10.38 | 1,49 | ..... | ..... | 7.30 |
| N. Hamilton... | 5.33 | 11.00 | 2 06 | ..... | ..... | 7.50 |
| Mount Union... | 5.39 | 11.06 | 2.10 | ..... | 6.03 | 7.56 |
| Mapleton. ..... | 5.45 | 11.13 | 2.15 | ..... | ..... | 8.02 |
| Huntingdon, ... | 6.03 | 11.32 | 2.29 | 2.01 | 6.22 | 8.20 |
| Petersburg ..... | 6 19 | 11.47 | 2.43 | ..... | ..... | 8.33 |
| Birmingham ... | 6.46 | 12.13 | 3.07 | h234 | 16.54 | 8.56 |
| Tyrone. ..... | 6.52 | 12.20 | 3.12 | 2.40 | 6.59 | 9.02 |
| Bellwood..... | 7.17 | 12.41 | 3.29 | ..... | 7.18 | 9.20 |
| Altoona. ..... | 7.40 | 1.00 | 3.45 | 3.10 | 7.35 | 9.35 |
| Pittsburg ..... | 12.10 | 5.50 | 8.40 | 6.55 | 11.30 | 2.00 |
| | P.M. | P. M. | P. M. | P. M. | P. M. | P.M |

Harrisburg 10.20, Rockville 10.31, Marysville 10.34, Duncannon 10.47, Newport 11.06 Millerstown 11.14, Mifflin 11.40, Lewistown Junction 11.58, p. m. Huntingdon 12.55, Tyrone 1.32. Altoona 2.00, Pittsburg 5.30 a. m.

"h" stops to take on passengers for Pittsburg and beyond.

| Week days | D'ly. | D'ly. | Dly | D'ly. | D'ly. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | A.M. | A. M. | A. M. | PM. | P. M. | P. M. |
| Pittsburg ..... | | 2.50 | 8.00 | | 12.45 | 4.50 |
| Altoona..... | 5.00 | 7.15 | 11.40 | 2.05 | 5.55 | 9.05 |
| Bellwood..... | 5.12 | 7.30 | 11.52 | 2.19 | 6.10 | 9.19 |
| Tyrone ..... | 5.24 | 7.48 | 12.03 | 2.35 | 6.27 | 9.33 |
| Birmingham . | 5.28 | 7.53 | g1207 | 2.40 | 6.32 | |
| Petersburg ... | 5.45 | 8.17 | | 3.03 | 6.56 | |
| Huntingdon.... | 5.57 | 8.30 | 12.35 | 3.17 | 7.10 | 10.12 |
| Mapleton. ..... | 6.11 | 8.47 | | 3.35 | 7.24 | |
| Mt. Union..... | 6.16 | 8.53 | 12.54 | 3.42 | 7.29 | 10.32 |
| N. Hamilton ... | 6.21 | 8.58 | | 3.47 | 7.34 | |
| McVeytown.... | 6.37 | 9.15 | f1.14 | 4.08 | 7.51 | |
| Lewiston Jc.... | 6.58 | 9.35 | 1.33 | 4.33 | 8.10 | 11.16 |
| Mifflin..... | 7.18 | 9.55 | 1.50 | 4.55 | 8.30 | 11.37 |
| Port Royal..... | 7.22 | 9.59 | | 5.00 | 8.34 | |
| Thompsontown | 7.37 | 10.14 | | 5.18 | 8.48 | |
| Millerstown. ... | 7.46 | 10.22 | | 5.28 | 8.57 | |
| Newport ..... | 7.55 | 10.32 | 2.24 | 5.39 | 9.05 | |
| Duncannon..... | 8.20 | 10.54 | 2.44 | 6.08 | 9.29 | |
| Marysville ..... | 8.33 | 11.07 | 2.56 | 6.26 | 9.43 | |
| Rockville. ..... | 8.38 | 11.12 | | 6.32 | 9.48 | |
| Harrisburg..... | 8.50 | 11.25 | 3.10 | 6.45 | 10.00 | 1.00 |

Pittsburg [illegible], Tyrone 6.27, Huntingdon 6.57, Harrisburg 9.10 A. M. daily.

| | P.M. | P. M. | P. M. | P.M | P.M. | A.M. | A.M |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Balti .....11.55 | 11.55 | *3.11 | 6.00 | 9.45 | 2 30 | |
| Wahg't'n 1.00 | 1.00 | *4.10 | 7.15 | 10.55 | 4.05 | |
| Phila.....11.48 | 11.52 | *3.00 | 6.23 | 10.20 | 4.25 | 4.25 |
| New York 2.13 | 2.23 | *5.53 | 9.30 | 3.53 | 7.13 | 7.13 |

Additional trains are run as under:—

Leave Pittsburg 8.30 P. M. daily, Altoona 12.15 A. M., Huntingdon 1.10 A. M.; arrive Harrisburg 3.40 A. M., Philadelphia 6,52 A. M.

Leave Pittsburg 7.30 A. M. daily, Altoona 11.05 A. M., Tyrone 11.30 A. M., Huntingdon 12.03 P. M., Lewistown Junction 1.02 p. m., arrive Harrisburg 2.40p.m., Philadelhia 5.47 p. m., New York, Desbrosses and Cortlandt Sts. 8.08; W. Twenty-third St. Station 8.20 p. m., Baltimore 6.00 p.m., Washington 7.15 p.m.

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At Tyrone—For Clearfield and Curwensville 8.20 A. M., 3.20 and 7.20 P. M. week days.

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## EAST BROAD TOP RAILROAD.

Schedule in effect Sept. 7, 1898.

| NORTH. Irreg., No. 5. | NORTH. Mail, No. 3 | NORTH. Mail, No. 1 | STATIONS. | SOUTH. Mail, No. 2. | SOUTH. Mail, No. 4. | SOUTH. Irreg., No. 6. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| a. m. | P.M. | a.m | | A. M | p. m. | a. m. |
| 7 48 | 12 50 | 6 20 | Robertsdale | 11 39 | 6 39 | 7 04 |
| 8 00 | 1 02 | 6 32 | Cook's | 11 24 | 6 27 | 6 54 |
| 8 12 | 1 14 | 6 44 | Cole's | 11 09 | 6 15 | 6 34 |
| 8 40 | 1 42 | 7 12 | Saltillo | 10 39 | 5 30 | 6 01 |
| 8 48 | 1 50 | 7 20 | Three Springs | 10 30 | 5 21 | 5 54 |
| 9 00 | 2 03 | 7 32 | *Pogue | 10 15 | 5 07 | 5 42 |
| 9 15 | 2 18 | 7 46 | Rockhill | 9 53 | 4 44 | 5 30 |
| | 2 35 | 8 01 | Shirley | 9 38 | 4 29 | |
| | 2 44 | 8 10 | *Augh. Mills | 9 30 | 4 21 | |
| | 3 06 | 8 32 | Mount Union | 9 15 | 4 06 | |
| a. m. | p. m. | a.m | | a. m. | p. m. | a. m. |

Irreg. No. 7, leaves Robertsdale 5.03 p. m., Cook's 5.13, Cole's 5.25, Saltillo 5.45, Three Springs 5.53, Pogue 6.05, arrive at Rockhill 6.20 p. m.

Irreg. No. 8, leaves Rockhill 2.20 p. m., Pogue 2.32, Three Springs 2.44, Saltillo 2.51, Cole's 3.31, Cook's 3.43, arrive at Robertsdale 3.43 p. m.

## SHADE GAP BRANCH.

| WEST. Irreg. No. 12 | WEST. Mail, No. 10 | STATIONS. | EAST Irreg. No. 9 | EAST Mail, No. 11 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| p. m. | a. m. | | a. m. | p. m. |
| 5 50 | 7 25 | L Rockhill A | 6 30 | 4 55 |
| 5 43 | 7 18 | *Blacklog | 6 37 | 5 02 |
| 5 35 | 7 10 | *Cedar Rock | 6 45 | 5 10 |
| 5 31 | 7 06 | *Locke Vall'y | 6 49 | 5 14 |
| 5 25 | 7 00 | *Shade Gap Stair | 6 55 | 5 20 |
| | | A Goshorn L | | |

Mail trains Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 10 and 11 and irregular trains 9 and 12 run daily except Sunday. Irregular trains 5, 6, 7 and 8 do not run daily, but carry passengers when run.

* Flag stations. Beersville changed to Pogue.

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### REFLECTIONS.

[By S. J. Skeet.]

Written for The Mapleton Item.

Bad habits, like babiliments once cast off, make the former wearer look more respectable in the new attire.

It is not by self conceit, and fear of contamination with the wicked that we become righteous, but by extending a welcoming hand and assistance to draw them from the mire that we enact christianity's true principles.

They who spend their wealth to-day,
Have none left for the morrow;
While those who save their hard earned pay
Need seldom beg or borrow.

We may often estimate the character of persons, by noticing what they admire and love the most. If the grand, sublime, and beautiful we may rest assured, it is the reflection of their own hearts and minds.

Caution, is a wise general—Cowardice, a recreant soldier.

Honesty's mistakes, are jewels that may be recut.

If man to God, would do his best;
Just nature's laws would do the rest.

How many minds with crystal thought,
Would wend their way toward bright heaven
If in this world where aid is sought;
In kindness it were freely given.

Generosity is a prosperous bank, controled by Honesty. If drawn upon by villians not entitled to its funds, is it a wonder if it closes its doors?

Beautiful thoughts are like beautiful flowers,
Perfuming Life's air, with their odorous powers;
Distil their pure essence, and many a day,
Their fragrance remain when their lives pass away.

The glory of a life is not invested in its might,
But in the fact of doing good, and also what is right,

Poverty is God's poker; used, to stir the fires of genius and adversity.

Honesty and Policy are the essential servants of a worldly prosperous business man. The trouble is with many, they engage Policy at an enormous salary to rule the firm, he being a sharp witted trader; while plain, manly and straightforward Honesty is usually engaged for a mere pittance, to sweep the store.

### Local Institute Proceedings.

The first session of the local institute composed of the districts of Union township and Mapleton borough convened at Lincoln school house, Union township, on Dec. 16, 1899. at 10.30 A. M.

The institute was called to order by the chairman, T. W. Smith. The exercises of the day were commenced by the reading of the first Psalm after which the hymn, "Revive Us Again" was sung by the audience.

The topic, "How to Acquire Success" was then opened for discussion by Harper A. Wright who very logically outlined the subject. G. W. Wright then gave an interesting discussion. He was followed by T. W. Smith who spoke of the way to attain success in life, emphasizing the fact that every person early in life should choose a definite line of work and use all their energies to make that line of work a success. Emory Bagshaw further discussed the subject, saying in part that every person should enter his profession with a rigid determination to win and with a proper portion of stick-to-it-iveness he will very probably attain success. G. W. Wright again spoke on the subject saying that teachers should be progressive and in order to be progressive and successful they must closely examine into their weaknesses and make a determined effort to correct them.

At 11.30 A. M. the institute adjourned to meet again at 1.15 P. M.

The afternoon session was opened by the institute singing "Let the Sunshine In" after which a very suitable welcome address was delivered by J. C. Dell. A fitting response was delivered by G. W. Wright.

After a recitation by one of the pupils of the school, Miss Bertha Coder read a very interesting paper on the subject, "Curiosity in Education."

A recitation was next given By Albert Dell. The topic, "Grammar, Its Use and Abuse," was then opened and forcibly discussed by J. L. Hetrick. Harper E. Swope was the next speaker on the subject. I. N. Swope then gave a discussion illustrating some of the more common instances of false syntax.

The topic, "Moral and Mental Training of the Child" was then announced for discussion. The first speaker on the subject was J. G. Hicks who spoke of the importance of moral training first in the home, then in the school. After music and recitations by the little folks, the topic was further discussed by Mrs. Lou Dell whose thoughts were deep and suggestive. G. W. Wright then gave some timely suggestions on the subject. This was followed by a recitation given by master Clare Dell.

The next topic for discussion, "How Can We as Directors and Citizens Make Our Schools Better?" was opened by P. A. Pheasant. It was further discussed by J. G. Hicks. T. W. Smith then gave some suggestions on a historical subject.

After singing "Wait for Me," and transacting general bnsiness, the institute adjourned.

HARPER E. SWOPE, Secretary.


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### THE LAST DRINK.

[By S. J. Skeet.]

(Written for The Mapleton Item.)

(Scene) Bar Room, Saturday Night (Pay) Workingmen carousing. One workingman concludes to reform, and addresses his co-workers as follows:

I have taken my last drink to-night boys!
I have taken my last drink to-night
And I know when I carry the news home,
That my wife will shed tears of delight. [boys
You may well laugh and sneer at my plan,
For I promised reform once before,
Since then I have appealed to my reason,
And studied this thing more and more.

I have found that a man is no better
Than a poor weak contemptible fool,
Who would give wife, senses, and money,
To become a sick slave and a tool.
Experience has taught me this wisdom,
That he who would my being enthrall,
By drowning my manhood with liquor,
Is the wrong kind of friend after all.

In our time we have spent a large fortune
Low degrading ourselves and good name
While the trader can wear his rich jewels,
When we could have been doing the same.
But should ever our wives or our children,
Appealingly plead aid at their door,
There are many would tell them with justice
"T'is your husbands own fault you are poor."

I am not so debased but I treasure,
Purest thoughts of my happiest years, [ed
When my hearts noblest impulses endeavour-
To claim all that my life now endears.
In the future boys, do not forget me,
And at last you will say I am right,
I am off to my wife and my children
I have finished my drinking "Good Night."

## EPWORTH LEAGUE.

**Topic For the Week Beginning Dec. 24, "Our Royal Brother"—Text, Heb. i, 1-9; iii, 6.**

"Heir of all things."

There is great fascination in the thought of coming into an inheritance for which some one else has labored. The leisure and luxury and opportunities given by wealth are very attractive, and those who are able to command them in early life often seem to get more enjoyment out of them than those who have spent a long life of toil before they have been able to afford the comforts of life. There is much of pride if not of arrogance, however, to which one is liable who inherits wealth instead of earning it. Those who get much with little exertion are also liable to be envied by many who are obliged to do without the things which large wealth can supply. Earthly heritages and legacies are liable to many incumbrances and embarrassments. Their advantages are often more than counterbalanced by their burdens. To be heir or heiress of great estates does not of itself insure happiness or well being. Too many times ruin follows for soul and body. Riches may curse instead of bless. Birth cannot secure worth and ability. Some things are impossible to those born heirs to great possessions, some things of great value to character.

Jesus is heir of all things, in all worlds and in all ages, because He is Son of the Eternal God. But how different is His fitness to obtain and use these than can be the case with any other person. Higher than all angels and archangel in nature, the very image of the Divine person, having all His glory and brightness, the very Maker of the worlds, He has all wisdom, power and excellent goodness. He knows and feels and acts as God because He is truly Son of God. But, more than this, He is also Man. He "emptied" Himself, divested Himself of all that which would prevent Him becoming a man under all human limitations and earthly circumstances. He learned as we learn. He felt as we feel. He suffered as we suffer. He met sin, temptation, privation, scorn, opposition, hatred, love, fidelity, friendship and all the conflicting conditions of life as we meet them. He overcame their evils and achieved a perfect human life, a divinely human character, the first in all ages. He became type of a humanity redeemed from all iniquity, purified, made holy, the image of the invisible Deity, God in flesh. He wrought out a unique personality. He became the first fruit of the tree of divinely human life. He suffered, but conquered.

He is worthy both because of His eternal, underived nature and His work and character accomplished in time in human body. He is able to rule all things because He has learned obedience to righteousness and truth.

He is our brother and became such in order to share His heritage with us. His love to us deserves our love and allegiance.

### Will He Come?

That has been the question on the lips of many since the day when, standing on the Mount of Olives, the apostles saw the Lord Jesus taken up from among them. Shakespeare well characterizes the end of life as entrance upon a mysterious land, "the undiscovered country, from whose bourn no traveler returns."

We look for no one else to come back, but He has promised to return. All our hopes of the future are bound up in the fulfillment of that pledge. "If in this life only we have hope in Christ Jesus, we are of all men most miserable" declares the greatest of the apostles.

Bliss has no being, virtue has no good,
But from the prospect of eternal life.

So we eat and drink, remembering His loving sacrifice, His ever present help and sure promise. He will come. Are you working and watching that when He comes you may be ready to receive Him joyously and be received by Him in peace?


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Farmers and others desiring to purchase fruit or ornamental trees are urged to correspond with me before purchasing. The stock I have sold in this county in the past years has proven true to name and the trees were healthy. This ought to be convincing evidence that it is better to buy from reliable home agents than from strangers. I intend canvassing the county thoroughly this season and want your patronage.

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# METHUEN IS DRIVEN BACK

## Fails in an Attack on the Boers and Suffers Heavy Loss.

## RETIRES TO HIS FORMER POSITION

**Enemy Successfully Defends a Strong Position Beyond the Modder River—British Infantry Attack Follows a Heavy Artillery Fire, But Both Are Ineffective—Boers Losses Also Large**

LONDON (By Cable).—General Methuen has met with a reverse beyond the Modder River. He shelled the Boer position at Magersfontein on Sunday and early on Monday morning began an infantry attack which failed completely. The British force suffered severe losses, but held the advanced ground until Tuesday morning when General Methuen retired to his former position. The War Office has received the following dispatch from him dated at Modder River:

GEN. METHUEN

"As the Boers occupied the trenches strongly this morning, I retired in perfect order here, where I am in security. I gather from prisoners and from Boers speaking to ambulance men that their losses were terrible, some corps being quite wiped out. They have been most kind to my wounded."

It is estimated that Lord Methuen's forces amounted to 11,000 men, and perhaps to more. Among the British killed was General Wauchope, who died leading his troops.

The British casualties also included the Marquis of Winchester, Major of the Second Battalion Coldstream Guards, who was killed, and Colonel Downham, of the First Battalion Gordon Highlanders, who was mortally wounded. Among the wounded were Lieutenant-Colonel A. D. Codrington and Captain Sterling, of the Coldstream Guards.

The War office has received the following dispatch from General Methuen, dated Tuesday:

"Our artillery shelled a very strong position held by the enemy in a long, high kopje from 4 until dusk Sunday. It rained hard last night. The Highland Brigade attacked at daybreak Monday the south end of the kopje. The attack was properly timed, but failed. The Guards were ordered to protect the Highlanders' right and rear. The cavalry and mounted infantry, with a howitzer artillery battery, attacked the enemy on the left and the Guards on the right, supported by field artillery and howitzer artillery.

"They shelled the position from daybreak, and at 1.15 I sent the Gordons to support the Highland Brigade. The troops held their own in front of the enemy's intrenchments until dusk, the position extending, including the kopje, for a distance of six miles toward the Modder River. I, to-day, am holding my position and intrenching myself. I had to face at least 12,000 men. Our loss was great."

The position Lord Methuen assaulted is thus described by a correspondent:

"Magersfontein Range terminates on the east with an abrupt saddle rock, some 150 feet high. Boer intrenchments run around the whole front. The position is some two miles long, due east and west. The western ends of the trenches follow the contour of the kopjes and afford a retreat."

The Daily Mail's correspondent says that the murderous fire on the Highlanders at 200 yards caused in a single minute the larger part of the fearful British loss. He adds: "Startled and overwhelmed the brigade retired quickly, but rallied and retained their position." The Guards, who crossed the open veldt against the trenches on the right, fought an invisible foe for fifteen hours.

According to another telegram the Boers had trenches on the level veldt far beyond the foothills. These were hidden by screens of leaves. Some trenches between these and the hills were guarded with barbed wire, the enemy evidently fearing a bayonet attack. The Boers used only one gun until sunset, when a few rounds were fired from four guns.

Prisoners say that one of the lyddite shells fell on forty men, and that only five escaped unhurt. Other shells burst in the laager, completely destroying it. The Boers are said to have outnumbered the British almost three to one.

A dispatch from Cape Town states that twenty-seven wounded officers and 266 wounded men have arrived at Orange River from Modder River.

## FOUR KILLED IN A WRECK.

**Passenger Train Dashes Into a Coal Train on the Jersey Central.**

ALLENTOWN, Penn. (Special).—Passenger train No. 18 on the Lehigh and Susquehanna division of the Central Railroad of New Jersey, while running at a rate of a mile a minute, crashed into a coal train running ahead at Trieghlers, a small station twelve miles north of this city.

Four persons were killed: Engineer Yeamans, of Easton; W. H. Smith, fireman Easton; Thomas Heath, Easton, baggagemaster, all belonging to the passenger train crew, and George Hanna of Bergen, N. J., flagman of the coal train. The injured are George Shipton and John Graham, brakemen of the coal train.

The baggage car and smoker caught fire The accident occurred at a sharp curve So far as is known the flagman followed his instructions.

**Allen Returned to the Senate.**

Governor Poynter, of Nebraska, has appointed former Senator Allen to fill the Senatorial vacancy caused by the death of the late Senator Hayward.

## BANK ROBBER SHOT DEAD

### Watchman in Deep River, Conn., Kills One of Four Men.

**They Were Trying to Get Into the Savings Bank and the Watchman Fired His "Riot Gun."**

DEEP RIVER, Conn. (Special).—An attempt was made a few days ago to rob the Deep River Savings Bank. One of the robbers was killed. Four men were seen at 1.15 o'clock by the watchman, Harry D. Tyler, coming down Main street. As they reached the bank one of them came up the steps and peered through a window. Another of the four went to a side window near the door opening into the directors' room, back of the vault, while the other two went to the window opposite and began prying it up. Looking through the inner blinds, Tyler saw one man with both hands on a lever under the casing and one standing back of him. Holding a revolver in one hand, Tyler took aim with his riot gun and fired.

The shell contained nine balls. Dodging back against a wall, Tyler waited ten minutes, but could hear no sound. Approaching the window, he saw a man lying on his back with a hole in his head, the charge having hit him in the eye. An alarm was given over the telephone, but it was nearly an hour before help came and then Tyler crept out of the door and across the street on his hands and knees, fearing that the confederates might be in hiding. No traces of them have been found, although the police were notified all through this region to be on the lookout.

The dead man was apparently about thirty years old, with black hair, inclined to curl a little, black moustache, of medium weight, about five feet four inches in height and was well dressed in a dark suit. His revolver was found under him loaded and loose cartridges were in his pocket. On him were found six twist steel drills, a safety fuse, dynamite cartridges, soap for tamping the charge in, a money order receipt, No. 1743, issued at Springfield, Mass., December 4; a silver watch with gold-plated chain and $1.20 in money. His clothes were marked Albany. Aside from those found on body, the only tools found were two new ship carpenter's chisels, eighteen inches long, used to pry up the window.

The barking of a dog attracted Tyler's attention. It is supposed that the men belonged to a gang working in this State for several months. Jimmy Hope tried robbing this bank twenty-one years ago. Five years ago a second attempt was made. Two men supposed to belong to the gang were seen this morning urging a tired horse along the roads in Clinton, toward New Haven. The Deep River Bank is known as an institution with large deposits.

## WOOD GOVERNOR OF CUBA.

**Major-General Brooke Relieved of Command in the Island.**

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—By direction of the President, Major-General Leonard Wood, U. S. V., was assigned to the command of the Division of Cuba, relieving Major-General John R. Brooke, U. S. A. General Wood will, in addition to his duties as division commander, exercise the authority of Military Governor of the island.

MAJOR-GENERAL LEONARD WOOD, U. S. V.

(The President has appointed him Governor of Cuba, relieving Major-General Brooke.

On completion of the transfer of command General Brooke is ordered to return to this city and report to the Adjutant-General of the Army for further orders by the Secretary of War. He will be accompanied by his authorized aids. In relieving General Brooke the Secretary of War desires to express his high appreciation of and thanks for the faithful and efficient service rendered by that officer as Military Governor of Cuba.

## A CHILD BEGGARS' COMBINE.

**Those in Chicago Assigned Certain Territory to Each Other.**

CHICAGO (Special).—The existence of a beggars' trust, which regulates the selling of chewing gum and matches and the collection of alms in the down-town office buildings in Chicago, was apparently disclosed in the Juvenile Court a few days ago.

Norah Greeley, a twelve-year-old girl, who has for more than a year sold chewing gum and begged in the Masonic Temple, informed Judge Tuthill that she would not dare beg in the City Hall or in any building except her own because "they" would not let her. "They," she said, were the other little girls who begged, and who agreed not to invade one another's territory.

## SOUTH CANNOT GET COAL.

**Low Water in the Mississippi and Ohio Causes a Serious State of Affairs.**

NEW ORLEANS, La. (Special). — The drought and the consequent low water in the Mississippi, besides affecting the water supply of New Orleans, is making itself felt in the coal market. The water is so low in the Mississippi and Ohio that it has been impossible to send the Pittsburg fleet south, and the supply of the Pittsburg product on hand is only 500,000 barrels instead of the usual 5,000,000 barrels or half a million tons, and there seems to be no chance of any coal barges getting down before the end of January. In consequence of the coal famine, the price has advanced fifty per cent., from $4 to $6 per ton.

# IN WASHINGTON'S HONOR.

## Centennial of the Patriot's Death Commemorated at Mt. Vernon.

## PRESIDENT AND CABINET AT TOMB

**Many High Government Officials Take Part in Commemorating Washington's First Centenary—President Delivers the Oration — Masons Attend From All Parts of the Country.**

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—The most interesting feature of the ceremonies at Mount Vernon in commemoration of the one hundredth anniversary of the death of Washington was the speech of President McKinley in eulogy of the character and services of the great statesman. Masons of high degree from all over the United States and Canada, Senators and Representatives in Congress, high officials of the Government, and distinguished private citizens were participants and spectators of the solemn service.

From sunrise until sunset a gun was fired every half hour at Fort Washington, and the United States steamer Sylph, anchored in the Potomac, opposite Mount Vernon, fired a salute of twenty-one guns after the ceremonies.

The formal ceremonies were elaborately planned and successfully carried out. They were conducted by the masonic bodies and by the red men of the United States. At 10 o'clock President McKinley accompanied by six members of the Cabinet, representatives of the army and navy, members of the Senate and House, and other men of high positions in the affairs of the nation, left Washington on a special electric train for Mount Vernon, arriving there at 11.

After the President and his Cabinet had reviewed the various Masonic bodies from a platform on the east front of the mansion, a procession was formed and moved, as on the day of General Washington's funeral, December 14, 1799, to the old vault, where the remains were first deposited. There, in the immediate presence of the grand officers of the various States and the assembled Masons, solemn funeral rites were conducted.

The procession re-formed and moved then to the tomb where the remains of Washington and those of his family lie now. The tomb was magnificently decorated with flags and festoons of evergreens and flowers. Here the beautiful and impressive Masonic services were conducted.

The Grand Master of Virginia called upon each of the jurisdictions of the thirteen original States, the jurisdictions of

WASHINGTON'S TOMB AT MOUNT VERNON.

the Western States, and those of Canada, Belgium and Nova Scotia for messages and tributes sent by them, and all responded.

Scores of beautiful wreaths and bunches of evergreens were deposited within the tomb, one of the most beautiful tokens, an immense wreath of ivy immortelles and acacia blossoms, being offered by President McKinley.

The procession returned to the east front of the mansion, where President McKinley, introduced by Grand Master Duke, delivered the oration.

The President was interrupted frequently by applause, and at the close of his oration he was cheered heartily.

**Services in Independence Hall.**

PHILADELPHIA (Special).—The 100th anniversary of the death of Washington was observed here with impressive ceremonies. The feature of the occasion was the memorial exercises in Independence Hall. The Grand Army of the Republic took a prominent part in the obervance of the day, services being held in nearly all the post headquarters.

## DEMOCRATIC POLICY INDICATED.

**The Senate Sustains the President's Position Regarding the Philippines.**

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special). — Democratic members of Congress have indicated the Philippine policy the party may follow in the coming Presidential campaign.

It was embodied in resolutions presented in the House by Representative Williams, of Mississippi. It contemplates immediate independence for the Filipinos, the payment by Aguinaldo's followers of $20,000,000, to offset the $20,000,000 this country paid to Spain; the prompt withdrawal of our forces and the exercise of an American protectorate for ten years.

The Republicans in the Senate declared anew their party policy as to the Philippines. They sustained the President's position by defeating, by a vote of 41 to 20, Senator Pettigrew's resolution for a Philippine inquiry.

## PHILADELPHIA GETS CONVENTION.

**Republican National Committee Names June 19 as Date of Meeting.**

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—By a vote of 25 to 24, the Republican National Committee decided that the Republican Convention of 1900 should be held in Philadelphia. June 19 was selected as the date.

The place and date were decided upon after a friendly contest for the honor of entertaining the convention between the city selected, Chicago, St. Louis and New York. The meeting of the committee was held at the Arlington Hotel, and was presided over by Senator Hanna, the Chairman of the committee.

# DISASTER TO BULLER.

## Fails to Force a Passage of the Tugela and Loses Eleven Guns

## THE BRITISH FALL IN A TRAP.

**Battle Brought on While Trying to Relieve General White—Part of the Artillery Moved Too Far Forward—After Hard Fighting Two Batteries Are Abandoned—Heavy Loss of Life.**

LONDON (By Cable).—General Sir Redvers Buller, commander of the British forces in South Africa, who was moving to the relief of Ladysmith, has suffered a serious reverse at the hands of the Boers. He has lost many of his guns besides many men. He has sent the following report to the War Office:

GENERAL SIR REDVERS BULLER.

(Commander of the British forces in South Africa.)

"CHIEVELEY CAMP—I regret to report a serious reverse. I moved in full strength from the camp near Chieveley at 4 o'clock Friday morning. There are two fordable places in the Tugela River and it was my intention to force a passage through one of them. They are about two miles apart and I intended to force one or the other with one brigade supported by the central brigade. Hart was to attack the left drift. Hildyard had the right of the road. Lyttleton was in the centre to support either.

"Early in the day I saw that Hart would not be able to force a passage and directed him to withdraw. He had, however, attacked with great gallantry. His leading battalion. the Connaught Rangers, I fear suffered a great deal. Colonel Brooke was severely wounded.

"I then ordered Hildyard to advance, which he did. His leading regiment, the East Surrey, occupied Colenso Station and the houses near the bridge. At that moment I heard that the whole artillery I had sent back to that attack, namely, the Fourteenth and Sixty-sixth Field Batteries and six naval twelve-pounder quick-firers, the whole under Colonel Long, were out of action.

"It appears that Long, in his desire to be within effective range, advanced close to the river. It proved to be full of the enemy who suddenly opened a galling fire at close range, killing all the horses, and the gunners were compelled to stand to their guns. Some wagon teams got shelter for troops in a donga.

"Desperate efforts were made to bring out the field guns. but the fire was too severe. Only two were saved by Captain Schofield and some drivers, whose names I will furnish. Another most gallant attempt with three teams was made by an officer whose name I will obtain. Of eighteen horses thirteen were killed, and as several drivers were wounded I would not allow another attempt.

"As it seemed there would be great loss of life in an attempt to force a passage unsupported by artillery I directed the troops to withdraw, which they did in good order. Throughout the day a considerable force of the enemy was pressing my right flank, but was kept back by the mounted men under Lord Dundonald and part of Barton's brigade. The day was intensely hot and most trying on the troops, whose conduct was excellent.

"We have abandoned ten guns and lost by shell fire one. The losses of Hart's Brigade are, I fear, heavy, though the proportion of severely wounded is not, I hope large. The Fourteenth and Sixty-sixth batteries also sustained severe losses.

"We have retired to the camp at Chieveley."

England will now mobilize the militia and the colonial troops and also call for volunteers if necessary. She will pour soldiers and guns into South Africa without number, but the first thing she will do is to call a halt. There will be no further attempt to invade the Boer republics until a great army is massed in Africa, and more than a month must elapse before this can be done.

Colonel Hector MacDonald, the hero of Omdurman, has been ordered from India to take the place of General Wauchope as commander of the Highlanders. There could be no finer tribute to Wauchope's memory.

**General Buller's Bodyguard.**

A troop of the Natal police are acting as General Buller's bodyguard

# THE MARKETS.

## Late Wholesale Prices of Country Produce Quoted in New York.

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| **BUTTER.** | | | |
| Creamery—West. extras... | $ — | @ | $ 27 |
| Firsts | 25 | @ | 26 |
| Thirds to seconds | 23 | @ | 24 |
| State—Thirds to firsts | 23 | @ | 26 |
| State Dairy tubs, extras | — | @ | 25 |
| Imitation Creamery | 17 | @ | 22 |
| Factory, fresh firsts | 17½ | @ | 18 |
| Low grades | 16 | @ | 17 |
| **CHEESE.** | | | |
| State—Full cream, fancy | 12½ | @ | 12¾ |
| Small | 12¾ | @ | 13 |
| Part skims, good to prime | 7½ | @ | 9¾ |
| Full skims | 4 | @ | 5 |
| **EGGS.** | | | |
| Nearby—Fancy | 25 | @ | 26 |
| Western—Choice | 23½ | @ | 24 |
| Southern | — | @ | 23 |
| **BEANS AND PEAS.** | | | |
| Beans—Marrow, choice, 1898 | — | @ | 2 20 |
| Medium, 1898 | 2 00 | @ | 2 05 |
| Pea, choice, 1898 | — | @ | 2 00 |
| Red kidney, choice, 1899 | — | @ | 2 30 |
| White kidney, choice, 1899 | 2 60 | @ | 2 65 |
| Yellow eye, 1898 | 2 22½ | @ | 2 25 |
| Lima, Cal. | 3 30 | @ | 3 35 |
| Green peas, bags | — | @ | 1 25 |
| **FRUITS AND BERRIES—FRESH.** | | | |
| Apples, King, ₱ bbl | 2 00 | @ | 3 50 |
| Baldwin, ₱ bbl | 1 50 | @ | 3 00 |
| Ben Davis, ₱ bbl | 1 50 | @ | 2 75 |
| Grapes, Catawba, ₱ basket | 10 | @ | 12 |
| Concord, ₱ basket | 6 | @ | 10 |
| Cranberries, Cape Cod, ₱ bbl | 6 00 | @ | 7 50 |
| **LIVE POULTRY.** | | | |
| Fowls, ₱ lb | 9½ | @ | 10 |
| Chickens, ₱ lb | — | @ | 8½ |
| Roosters, ₱ lb | 5½ | @ | 6 |
| Turkeys, ₱ lb | 8 | @ | 9 |
| Ducks, ₱ pair | 40 | @ | 60 |
| Geese, ₱ pair | 1 00 | @ | 1 37 |
| Pigeons, ₱ pair | 15 | @ | 20 |
| **DRESSED POULTRY.** | | | |
| Turkeys, ₱ lb | 8 | @ | 12 |
| Broilers, Phila., ₱ lb | 11 | @ | 16 |
| Fowls, State & Penn., ₱ lb | — | @ | 9 |
| Ducks, Western, ₱ lb | 9 | @ | 10 |
| Geese, Eastern spring, ₱ lb | 9 | @ | 10 |
| Squabs, ₱ doz | 1 25 | @ | 2 25 |
| **HOPS.** | | | |
| State—1899, choice, ₱ lb | 14 | @ | 15 |
| 1898, choice | 9½ | @ | 10 |
| Pacific Coast, 1898, choice | 11 | @ | 12 |
| Common to fair | 8 | @ | 10 |
| Old odds | 2 | @ | 5 |
| **HAY AND STRAW.** | | | |
| Hay—Prime, ₱ 100 lb | — | @ | 87½ |
| Clover mixed | 72½ | @ | 77 |
| Clover | 70 | @ | 75 |
| Straw—Long rye | 62½ | @ | 70 |
| **VEGETABLES.** | | | |
| Potatoes, L. I., ₱ bbl | 1 62 | @ | 1 87 |
| Jersey, ₱ bbl | 1 00 | @ | 1 62 |
| Sweet, Jersey, ₱ bbl | 2 50 | @ | 3 00 |
| Cabbages, L. I., ₱ 100 | 3 00 | @ | 5 00 |
| Onions, Eastern red, ₱ bbl | 1 00 | @ | 1 25 |
| Orange Co. red, ₱ bag | 75 | @ | 1 00 |
| Okra, ₱ carrier | 1 00 | @ | 2 50 |
| Squash, Fla., ₱ crate | 1 00 | @ | 1 25 |
| Turnips, ₱ bbl | 60 | @ | 85 |
| Peas, ₱ basket | 1 00 | @ | 2 50 |
| Lima beans, ₱ bag | — | @ | — |
| String beans, ₱ basket | 1 00 | @ | 2 50 |
| Peppers, ₱ carrier | 2 00 | @ | 3 50 |
| Cucumbers, ₱ crate | 1 00 | @ | 1 75 |
| Egg plant, ₱ bbl | 2 00 | @ | 4 50 |
| Celery, ₱ doz | 10 | @ | 40 |
| Cauliflower, ₱ bbl | 1 00 | @ | 3 00 |
| Brussels sprouts, ₱ qt | 5 | @ | 8 |
| Carrots, ₱ bbl | 75 | @ | 1 25 |
| **GRAIN, ETC.** | | | |
| Flour—Winter Patents | 3 50 | @ | 3 80 |
| Spring Patents | 3 80 | @ | 4 00 |
| Wheat—No. 1 N. Duluth | — | @ | 78⅞ |
| No. 2 Red | — | @ | 74 |
| Corn—No. 2 | — | @ | 39½ |
| Oats—No. 2 White | — | @ | 31 |
| Track mixed | 29 | @ | 31 |
| Rye—Western | — | @ | 60½ |
| State | 56 | @ | 61½ |
| Lard—City | 5¼ | @ | 5⅜ |
| **LIVE STOCK.** | | | |
| Beeves, city dressed | 7 | @ | 9¾ |
| Calves, city dressed | 9 | @ | 12½ |
| Country dressed | 7 | @ | 10½ |
| Sheep, ₱ 100 lb | 3 00 | @ | 4 50 |
| Lambs, ₱ 100 lb | 5 00 | @ | 5 65 |
| Hogs—Live, ₱ 100 lb | 4 30 | @ | 4 45 |
| Country dressed | 4 | @ | 5 |

**TOBACCO.**

Western leaf is less active than it has been of late, but the market retains good tone, with prices virtually as they have been since the beginning of the month.

Domestic cigar leaf has continued active, some 1700 cases having changed hands the past three days, and prices remain quite firm for all but very faulty stock. The sales reported include 750 cases 1898 Wisconsin Havana at 10¾@13c.; 285 cases 1898 Pennsylvania domestic seed at 11@12½c.; 350 cases 1898 Zimmers, at 13@15¾c.; 100 cases 1898 Gebhard at 12c.; 250 cases 1898 State Havana seed at 11@24c., and 100 cases 1898 Dutch at 13@14c.

Foreign leaf is commanding stiff prices and selling in fairly large way. During the past few days there have been sales of 500 bales of Havana at 60@92c. in bond, and 100 bales of Sumatra at 85c.@$1.60.

## HIGH PRICE FOR BROOM CORN.

**The Trust Controlling the Supply Decides to Charge $200 a Ton.**

CHICAGO (Special).—The stockholders of the broom corn trust have held a secret meeting here and decided to make the price on broom corn $200 a ton. This is the first time the trust has given a quotation on the supply held by it, and it is said by stockholders that this price will advance materially within another month.

The trust, it is stated, holds fully ninety per cent. of the raw material. It is said that the broom corn supply is more than 15,000 tons short of the demand, and the dealers give that as the reason for the extraordinary price put on the visible supply, which is the highest mark reached in years.

## THE COTTON CROP FOR 1900.

**Department of Agriculture's Statistician Estimates It at 8,900,000 Bales.**

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—The statistician of the Department of Agriculture reports 8,900,000 bales as the probable cotton production of the United States for 1899-1900. This estimate is based on a larger number of both general and special reports than has ever before been received by the Department in connection with a cotton crop.

The estimated productive area, in thousands of acres, is as follows: Virginia, 47; North Carolina, 1,220; South Carolina, 2,212; Georgia, 3,388; Florida, 149; Alabama, 2,883, Mississippi, 2,784; Louisiana, 1,179; Texas, 6,642; Arkansas, 1,726; Tennessee, 316; Oklahoma, 199; Indian Territory, 299; Missouri, 77. Total, 33,522.

**Spain's First Order Since the War.**

A Philadelphia firm has received an order for electric cars to be shipped to Barcelona, Spain.

# DR. TALMAGE'S SERMON.

## SUNDAY'S DISCOURSE BY THE NOTED DIVINE.

**Subject: Pillars of Smoke—Trials of Truth Expressed With a Biblical Symbol—The Suffering of the Church of God Powerfully Set Forth.**

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WASHINGTON, D. C.—The trials through which the truth has struggled are by Dr. Talmage here set forth under a Bible symbol of great suggestiveness and power; text, Solomon's Song, iii., 6, "Who is this that cometh out of the wilderness like pillars of smoke?"

The architecture of the smoke is wondrous, whether God with His finger curves it into a cloud, or rounds it into a dome, or points it in a spire, or spreads it in a wing, or, as in the text, hoists it in a pillar. Watch it winding up from the country farmhouse in the early morning, showing that the pastoral industries have begun, or see it ascending from the chimneys of the city, telling of the homes fed, the factories turning out valuable fabrics, the printing presses preparing book and newspaper and all the 10,000 wheels of work in motion. On a clear day this vapor spoken of mounts with such buoyancy, and spreads such a delicate veil across the sky, and traces such graceful lines of circle and semicircle, and waves and tosses and sinks and soars and scatters with such affluence of shape and color and suggestiveness that, if you have never noticed it, you are like a man who has all his life lived in Paris and yet never seen the Luxembourg, or all his life in Rome and never seen the Vatican, or all his life at Lockport and never seen Niagara. Forty-four times the Bible speaks of the smoke, and it is about time that somebody preached a sermon recognizing this strange, weird, beautiful, elastic, charming, terrific and fascinating vapor. Across the Bible sky floats the smoke of Sinai, the smoke of Sodom, the smoke of Ai, the smoke of the pit, the smoke of the volcanic hills when God touches them, and in my text the glorious church of God coming up out of the wilderness like pillars of smoke

In the first place, these pillars of smoke in my text indicate the suffering the church of God has endured. What do I mean by the church? I mean not a building, not a sect, but those who in all ages and all lands and of all beliefs love God and are trying to do right. For many centuries the heavens have been black with the smoke of martyrdom. If set side by side, you could girdle the earth with the fires of persecution—Rowland Taylor burned at Hadleigh, Latimer burned at Oxford, John Rogers burned at Smithfield, John Hooper burned at Gloucester, John Huss burned at Constance, Lawrence Saunders burned at Coventry, Joan of Arc burned at Rouen.

Protestants have represented Catholics as having a monopoly of persecutors, but both Protestant and Catholic have practiced infamous cruelties. The Catholics during the reign of Hunneric were by Protestants put to the worst tortures, stripped of their clothing, hoisted in the air by pulleys with weights suspended from their feet, then let down, and ears and eyes, nose and tongue were amputated, and red hot plates of iron were put against the tenderest part of their bodies.

George Bancroft, the historian, says of the State of Maryland: "In the land which Catholics had opened to Protestants mass might not be said publicly, no Catholic priest or bishop might utter his faith in a voice of persuasion, no Catholic might teach the young. If a wayward child of a papist would become an apostate, the law wrested for him from his parents a share of their property. Such were the methods adopted to prevent the growth of popery."

Catholicism, as well as Protestantism, has had its martyrs. It does seem as if when any one sect got complete dominancy in any land the devil of persecution and cruelty took possession of that sect. Then see the Catholics after the Huguenots. See the gentiles after the Jews in Touraine, where a great pit was dug and fire lighted at the bottom of the pit, and 160 Jewish victims were consumed. See the Presbyterian parliament of England, more tyrannical in their treatment of opponents than had been the criminal courts. Persecution against the Baptists by Pædo-Baptists, persecution of the Established Church against the Methodist Church, persecution against the Quakers, persecution against the Presbyterians. Under Emperor Diocletian 144,000 Christians were massacred, and 700,000 more of them died from banishment and exposure.

Witness the sufferings of the Waldenses, of the Albigenses, of the Nestorians. Witness St. Bartholomew's massacre. Witness the Duke of Alva driving out of life 18,000 Christians. Witness Herod and Nero and Decius and Hildebrand and Torquemada and Earl of Montfort and Lord Claverhouse, who, when told that he must give account for his cruelties, said, "I have no need to account to man, and as for God I will take Him in my own hands." A red line runs through the church history of 1900 years, a line of blood. Not by the hundreds of thousands, but by the millions, must we count those slain for Christ's sake. No wonder John Milton put the groans of the martyrs to an immortal tune, writing:

Avenge, O Lord, Thy slaughtered saints whose bones
Lie scattered on the Alpine mountains cold.

The smoke of martyrs' homes and martyrs' bodies if rolling up all at once would have eclipsed the noonday sun and turned the brightest day the world ever saw into a midnight. "Who is this that cometh up out of the wilderness like pillars of smoke?"

Has persecution ceased? Ask that young man who is trying to be a Christian in a store or factory, where from morning to night he is the butt of all the mean witticisms of unbelieving employes. Ask that wife whose husband makes her fondness for the house of God and even he kneeling prayer by the bedside a derision and is no more fit for her holy companionship than a filthy crow would be fit companion for a robin or a golden oriole. Compromise with the world and surrender to its conventionalities and it may let you alone, but all who will live godly in Christ Jesus must suffer persecution. Be a theatre going, card playing, wine drinking, round dancing Christian and you may escape criticism and social pressure. But be an up and down, out and out follower of Christ, and worldling will wink to worldling as he speaks your name, and you will be put in many a doggerel and snubbed by those not worthy to blacken your oldest shoes. When the bridge at Ashtabula broke and let down the most of the carload of passengers to instant death, Mr. P. P. Bliss was seated on one side of the aisle of the car writing down a Christian song which he was composing, and on the other side a group of men were playing cards. Whose landing place in eternity would you prefer—that of P. P. Bliss, the gospel singer, or of the card players?

A great complaint comes from the theatres about the ladies' high hats because they obstruct the view of the stage, and a lady reporter asked me what I thought about it, and I told her that if the indecent pictures of actresses in the show windows were accurate pictures of what goes on in many of the theatres night by night, then it would be well if the ladies' hats were a mile high, so as to completely obstruct the vision. If professed Christians go to such places during the week, no one will ever persecute them for their religion, for they have none, and they are the joke of hell. But let them live a consecrated and Christian life and they will soon run against sneering opposition.

For a compromise Christian character an easy time now, but for consecrated behavior, grimace and caricature. For the body, thanks to the God of free America, there are now no swords or fiery stakes, but for the souls of thousands of the good, in a figurative sense, rack and gibbet and Torquemada. The symbol of the domestic and social and private and public suffering of a great multitude of God's dear children, pillars of smoke. What an exciting scene in India when, during the sepoy rebellion, a regiment of highlanders came up and found the dead body of one of General Wheeler's daughters, who had been insulted and mauled and slain by the sepoys So great was the wrath against these murderers that the Scotch regiment sat down, and, cutting off the hair of this dead daughter of General Wheeler, they divided it among them, and each one counted the number of hairs given him, and each took an oath, which was executed, that for each hair of the murdered daughter they would dash out the life of a bestial sepoy, But as we look over the story of those who in all ages have suffered for the truth, while we leave vengeance to the Lord, let us band together in one solemn vow, one tremendous oath, after having counted the host of the martyrs, that for each one of those glorious men and women who died for the truth an immortal shall live, live with God and live forever.

Meet me at any depot the world over, and with my eyes closed take me by the hand and lead me so that my feet will not stumble, and without my once looking down or looking on the level take me to some high roof or tower and let me see the tops of the churches, and I will tell you the proportion of suicides, of arsons, of murders, of thefts. According as the churches are numerous are the crimes few. According as the churches are few the crimes are numerous. The most beautiful organization the world ever saw or ever will see is the much maligned church, the friend of all good, the foe of all evil, "fair as the moon and clear as the sun." Beautiful in her Author, beautiful in her mission, the heroine of the centuries, the bride of Christ, the queen of the nations!

Men may desecrate it, as Cromwell, when he stabled his cavalry horses in St. Paul's Cathedral; or break off the image of Christ, as did the iconoclasts in York minster; or hurl against it august literary antipathies, as did Gibbon; or plot its overthrow, as do some in every community whose pride and hate and debauchery are reproved by the Ten Commandments which it thunders and the sermon on the mount which its breathes. But it will stand as long as the earth stands, the same unique and wonder working and beatific and miraculous thing for which God decreed it. Small wits tax their brain to say things that will put her at disadvantage, but many of them will send for its condolence when dying, and their children will be gathered up under its benedictions after the parental curse has been removed. Through her gates will march all the influences for good that shall ever reach our world. Take her membership as a mass, not speaking of the acknowledged exceptions, they are the noblest, grandest, kindest, best men and women of the ages. But for them the earth would long ago have been a burned out volcano. They have been the salt that has kept the human race from putrefaction insufferable either to human or angelic olfactories.

You lying and hypocritical world, shut up those slanders about the church of Christ, an institution which, far from being what it ought to be and never pretending to be perfect, is 500 times better than any other institution that the world ever saw or ever dreamed of. The highest honor I ever had and the highest honor I shall ever receive and the highest honor I ever want is to have my name on her records as a member. At her altars I repented. At her sacraments I believed. In her service let me die. From her doors let me be buried. O church of God! Thou home of the righteous! Thou harbor from tempest! Thou refuge for the weary! Thou lighthouse of many nations! Thou type of heaven! I could kiss thy very dust with ecstasy of affection.

For her my tears shall fall,
For her my prayers ascend,
To her my toils and cares be given
Till toils and cares shall end.

Oh, come into the church through Christ the door, a door more glorious than that of the temple of Hercules, which had two pillars, and one was gold and the other emerald! Come in to-day! The world you leave behind is a poor world, and it will burn and pass off like pillars of smoke. Whether the final conflagration will start in the coal mines of Pennsylvania, which in some places have for many years been burning and eating into the heart of the mountains, or whether it shall begin near the California geysers, or whether from out the furnaces of Cotopaxi and Vesuvius and Stromboli it shall burst forth upon the astonished nations I make no prophecy, but all geologists tell us that we stand on the lid of a world, the heart of which is a raging, roaring, awful flame, and some day God will let the red monsters out of their imprisonment of centuries, and New York on fire in 1835, and Charleston on fire in 1865, and Chicago on fire in 1872, and Boston on fire in 1873 were only like one spark from a blacksmith's forge as compared with that last universal blaze which will be seen in other worlds. But gradually the flames will lessen, and the world will become a great living coal, and that will take on ashen hue, and then our ruined planet will begin to smoke, and the mountains will smoke, and the valleys will smoke, and the islands will smoke, and the seas will smoke, and the cities will smoke, and the five continents will be five pillars of smoke. But the black vapors will begin to lessen in height and density, and then will become hardly visible to those who look upon it from the sky galleries, and after awhile from just one point there will curl up a thin, solitary vapor, and then even that will vanish, and there will be nothing left except the charred ruins of a burned out world, the corpse of a dead star, the ashes of an extinguished planet, a fallen pillar of smoke.

But that will not interfere with your investments if you have taken Christ as your Saviour. Secure heaven as your eternal home, and you can look down upon a dismantled, disrupted and demolished earth without any perturbation.

When wrapped in fire the realms of ether glow,
And heaven's last thunders shake the earth below,
Thou, undismayed, shalt o'er the ruins smile
And light thy torch at Nature's funeral pile.

# THE SABBATH SCHOOL

## INTERNATIONAL LESSON COMMENTS FOR DECEMBER 24.

**Subject: Christ's Coming Foretold, Isa. ix., 2-7—Golden Text: Luke ii., 11—Memory Verses: Isa. ix., 6, 7—Commentary on the Day's Lesson.**

2. "The people that walked in darkness.' The people of Judah. They were at this time under a two-fold darkness: (1) The darkness of outward trouble. See 2 Kings 15:37; 16:4-8, 17; 2 Chron. 28:5-8. (2) They were in moral darkness. They were attacked by the king of Israel and by the king of Damascus, and afterward by the king of Assyria. Great multitudes were carried captives, or were slain. In this deep affliction of the Jewish nation her old foes rose up against her. The Edomites, on the southeast, and the Philistines, on the southwest, poured in their troops upon the devoted land and added to its calamities. The Philistines took permanent possession of the territory which they had overrun, occupying it and adding it to their dominion. Judah was indeed "brought low and made naked." 2 Chron. 28:18. Her country was desolate, her cities were burned with fire; her land—strangers devoured it in her presence, Isa. 1:7. The territory that remained to her was truly but a very small remnant, and even that was threatened. To escape from these troubles king Ahaz appealed to Tiglath-Pileser II., of Assyria, for help. He came, and the result was that Ahaz had to rob the temple and his palace of their treasures in order to pay the required tribute; and, still more, he sacrificed the independence and honor of the realm itself.—Peloubet.

3. "Thou hast multiplied the nation." The prophet shows them the Messiah and His times. He would move them to hope, awaken faith, arouse to righteousness, by the vision of good times coming. The only way to such a blessed consummation was by the path of holiness, obedience and faith. "They joy before Thee." The prophet notes it to be a religious joy because it is said to be before God—that is, in His presence and with a grateful acknowledgment of His benefits. This seems to denote that the events predicted would be the source of greater joy to all true Israelites than any of their former deliverances; though, at the same time, the unbelieving Jews who constituted the bulk of the nation would be driven into darkness, as they were, both as to their outward miseries and their dark and blinded state in respect of spiritual concerns.

4. "Thou hast broken the yoke." The Jews were successively delivered from the burdensome and galling yoke of the Assyrians, Chaldeans, Persians and Macedonians; but these deliverances were only a shadow of redemption from the yoke of Satan; and that redemption seems here especially predicted as if already accomplished. "As in the day of Midian." As Gideon with a handful of men conquered the hosts of Midian, so Messiah, the "child" (v. 6), shall prove to be the "Prince of peace," and the small company under Him shall overcome the mighty hosts of Antichrist. See the same contrast in Mic. 5: 2-5.

5. "For every battle." It was the custom of antiquity to pile the arms of prostrate enemies, the spoils of less value, and their spotted garments, into a heap and then burn them. All that belongs to war shall be swept away; the war itself shall die. The Messiah abolishes all war; but not until His foes are either swept away by His judgments or melted into penitence and won over to submission by His love. These promises were a great comfort, not only for the promise of victory over the then threatening enemy, but from the assurance of final triumph and success. The tide from the ocean of future blessings flowed back upon the present. The light from Jesus Christ shone back on Judah all through the seven hundred years that lay between. The best things in life are but dimly seen and partly known.

6. "Unto us." The prophet spake of the predicted blessings as if already communicated. Angels say, "Unto you," but this child was born for the benefit of us men, of us sinners, of all believers, to the end of the world. In the far distance the prophet foresaw the Redeemer of the world. It is interesting to notice how this promise gradually dawned upon the world through the prophets. A little later came the vision of the suffering Saviour (Isa. 53); then the town where He should be born (Micah 5:2); a more complete revelation came through Daniel. These prophecies were so spread abroad that at the time of His coming there prevailed throughout the entire East an intense conviction that ere long a powerful monarch would arise in Judea and gain dominion over the world. Virgil, who lived a little before this, owns that a child from heaven was looked for, who should restore the golden age and take away sin. "A son is given." God's gratuitous gift, upon which man had no claim. John 3:16. A gift of love, of joy, of universal fitness to our needs, of eternal enrichment, of forever increasing value; and this gift insures all other gifts. Rom. 8:32. As Son of man Jesus was "a child born;" as Son of God he was a "Son given." "Government." The ensign of government, the sceptre, the sword, or key, was borne upon or hung from the shoulder. All government shall be vested in him. "His name." A name stands for all that is in the man—his character, his principles and his property. "Wonderful." Because His nature was both human and divine. Whoever refuses to believe in the supernatural must pause at the manger. He can go no farther. How Godhood and manhood could be knit together in the person of Christ is beyond us. But things incomprehensible are not incredible. All divine works are wonderful. There are marvels enough in a drop of water to bewilder the wisest. "Counsellor." One who has wisdom to guide himself and others. Jesus was the embodiment of the Wisdom of God. "Mighty God." God the mighty One. As He has wisdom, so He has strength; He is able to save to the uttermost; and such is the work of the Mediator that no less a power than that of the mighty God could accomplish it. He has control of all forces for the salvation of men; He can conquer all enemies, make His kingdom triumphant over all obstacles, can always stand before and above His people, leading them on to higher and higher developments. "Everlasting Father." Expressing the divine love and pity for men, a love that can never fail, for it is everlasting. The Father pitieth His children that are weak in knowledge, and instructs them; pities them when they are froward, and bears with them; pities them when they are sick, and comforts them; when they are fallen, and helps them up again. "Prince of Peace." As a King He preserves, commands, creates peace. His peace both keeps the hearts of His people and rules in them. He is the Author of all that peace which is the present and future bliss of His subjects. Peace is used to express all the blessings that come to a kingdom where there is peace from outward enemies, peace between rulers and ruled, peace between the different members of the kingdom; no disorders, no idleness, no criminals.

# TAYLOR TAKES OFFICE.

## Change in Kentucky State Administration Quietly Effected.

**Elections in Massachusetts Result in Increased Republican Majorities—Porto Ricans Voting For Civil Officials.**

FRANKFORT, Ky. (Special).—William S. Taylor was inaugurated as Governor on Tuesday. The inaugural ceremonies were simple. Governor Bradley said that he hoped the Goebel Election law, which had brought so much turmoil to the State, would be wiped from the statute books. Governor-elect Taylor in his inaugural address said:

GOVERNOR WILLIAM S. TAYLOR.

"The verdict rendered last November was the mandate of the people in favor of civil liberty. It was the triumph of the people over a merciless, remorseless partisan machine, erected to enslave them."

He said one of the chief aims of his administration would be to repeal the election law.

The incoming and outgoing officials assembled at the home of Governor Bradley, where a luncheon was served to them and to the outgoing Governor's staff. There was a reception by the new Governor at the Capital Hotel in the evening, and the inaugural ball was also held there.

The defeated Democratic candidates for State offices began serving notices of contest against the Republican candidates, who received certificates of election.

## REPUBLICANS WIN IN BOSTON.

**They Also Made Decided Gains in Several Other Massachusetts Cities.**

BOSTON, Mass. (Special).—The city of Boston elected Thomas N. Hart, a Republican, Mayor by a plurality of 1900 in a total vote of 85,000.

The very absorbing local question—the street railway company's effort to obtain a restoration of its tracks on Boylston and Tremont streets—was decided in the negative by a small majority.

The Democrats still control both branches of the city government, the Board of Aldermen by a somewhat increased majority. The city, as usual, voted for license.

Elections in seventeen Massachusetts cities completed the entire list, with the exception of North Adams, which is still to hold its election. The Republicans were generally successful, although non-partizanship was a winning banner in several cities. Only in Newburyport did the Social Democrats make any kind of a contest, while in Boston, Lynn and Woburn, ordinarily strong Democratic strongholds, the Republicans scored signal victories.

In Lynn, where the Socialist vote was expected to be very heavy, the Republican Mayor was re-elected by an increased plurality of two thousand over last year.

### The Elections in Porto Rico.

SAN JUAN, Porto Rico (By Cable).—The Republicans have carried Ponce by 1700 majority. Elections were held in seventeen towns. The Republicans hold eight, with 1200 total plurality. Forty-five elections are yet unordered. It will take two months to complete the elections at the present rate. The Republicans claim San Juan by a tremendous majority, and assert that there has been a complete, overwhelming Federal defeat.

## THREE KILLED IN A SMASH-UP.

**Accident on the Pennsylvania in Which Three Freight Trains Were Wrecked.**

PRINCETON, N. J. (Special).—A wreck occurred on the Pennsylvania Railroad a few days ago near Monmouth Junction. Three loaded freight trains smashed together, killing three men and piling thirty-eight cars upon the tracks, shutting off traffic for ten hours. The dead are Charles S. Spegler, engineer, of Jersey City; John Henicker, fireman, of Newark, N. J., and Henry Zagbaum, brakeman, of Elizabeth, N. J. The men killed belonged to the crew of the east-bound train 942, the last to strike the wreck, part of which was turned entirely over and hurled into the ditch at the bottom of an embankment.

The cause of the wreck is unknown, but it is attributed to a broken axle. The cars for the most part were filled with merchandise.

Two wrecking trains with crews arrived shortly after the smash-up, but it was noon before they were able to clear one track to allow the passenger trains, which had been stalled since early morning at Princeton Junction, to pass.

## CAPTURE OF FILIPINO BANDITS.

**Guerillas Caught by Colonel Smith Will Be Shot or Hanged.**

MANILA (By Cable).—Colonel Smith, with a detachment of the Seventeenth Infantry, surrounded and captured in a village near Malasqui a party of guerillas who had made their headquarters there. The party included the band which assassinated seven officials at Malasqui for friendliness to the Americans.

All are insurgents who became bandits when the disintegration of the Filipino army began. They kept the country around Malasqui in a state of terror for several weeks, and committed twenty-five murders in less than that number of days.

When they were caught they were promptly sent to General MacArthur's headquarters at Bayambang by train. It is expected that they will be speedily tried and either shot or hanged if convicted.

# THE NEWS EPITOMIZED

### Washington Items.

Mr. Davis, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, introduced in the Senate a bill to punish violations of treaty rights.

The text of the treaty between the United States, Germany and Great Britain for the partition of Samoa was made public.

The postal authorities of New York City will ask for $2,500,000 to improve the service in the city.

The President nominated Edwin V. Morgan, of New York, to be Secretary of the Legation of the United States at Seoul, Korea.

An effort is to be made in Congress to pass a bill requiring publication of the pension roll.

Attorney-General Griggs rules that the abolishment of free delivery through reduction of gross receipts is compulsory.

Secretary Long has had prepared the draft of a bill abolishing the Bureaus of Construction and Repair, Equipment and Steam Engineering, and assigning their functions to a single new bureau to be called the Bureau of Ships.

At a session of the Cabinet a form of government for Porto Rico was discussed. It is believed that the President and the Secretaries favor the form used in Louisiana in 1803.

United States Consul Ruffin, at Asuncion, Paraguay, has informed the State Department that the Paraguan Government solicited bids for printing $15,000,000 in paper money.

### Our Adopted Islands.

Senor Mabini, the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the so-called Filipino Government, who was captured by General Young's forces some time ago, arrived in Manila.

The appointment of General Wood as Military Governor of Cuba is satisfactory to all factions in that island.

The Lepanto province, Philippine Islands, has been cleared of insurgents. The navy co-operated with the army on the west coast.

A circular has been sent to all the judges and fiscals in Cuba ordering them to announce that in the future any attempt at lynching or murder by an individual or a crowd, will be severely punished.

Over 3000 Spanish prisoners have been released in the Philippines in the past month. All important and threatened centres of population in the far north of Luzon have been occupied by American troops.

Moran, a sailor on board the Indiana, who has been in jail at Havana, Cuba, for a year, was placed on trial and acquitted, the judges deciding that there was no case against him.

Funds are still needed for the assistance of those who were rendered homeless by the floods in Porto Rico last summer.

Near Baliuag, P. I., a force of 100 insurgents attacked a wagon train, escorted by thirty men of the Sixteenth Infantry. A sharp engagement followed. The Filipinos lost eighteen in killed and nine in captured.

### Domestic.

Dr. Clark Smith, sixty-five years of age, at Fair Haven, Vt., attempted to alight from a moving Delaware and Hudson express train at Fair Haven and was crushed to death between a car platform and the station platform,

At Jones, La., a mob hanged a negro to a telegraph pole. The negro had assaulted a white woman.

An institute for the deaf and dumb at Edgewood, Penn., was destroyed by fire. The 500 pupils escaped uninjured.

Harry Platt, the last alleged member of the gang of boy burglars who carried out a series of burglaries in the neighborhood of Norwalk, Conn., has been arrested.

Colorado will bring suit against the Federal Government to test the constitutionality of a refusal to coin silver bullion on demand.

Wild blowing forty miles an hour drifted snow in Wisconsin so deeply as to block railroads.

Chief-Justice John A. Peters, of the Maine Supreme Court, sent his resignation to Governor Powers to take effect on January 1. He was appointed Chief-Justice in September, 1883.

Julia Brennan and Kate Brady were found guilty at Baltimore, Md., of the murder of Joseph Burns, a twenty-one months old child, by placing him on a red hot stove and each sentenced to ten years' imprisonment.

John Matthews, assistant draw tender at the Albany street bridge, New Brunswick, N. J., was stricken with paralysis as he was assisting to put up the iron lever key with which the draw is opened. He fell and the lever, weighing over 300 pounds, landed on his skull, crushing it.

Frederick S. Slater, of Newark, N. J., was shot and fatally hurt in Madison Square Garden, New York City, by Walter Rosser. They had quarreled over a bet on the bicycle race.

George Busseli, son of Commodore Edward Bussell, was found dead in his room at Red Bank, N. J., by his father. He had been asphyxiated by illuminating gas. He was twenty-five years old.

Robbers opened the safe in the office of the Pacific Express Company at Cheyenne, Wyo., and secured a sum variously estimated at from $10,000 to $25,000. There is no clue to the thieves.

### Foreign.

The Federal Assembly has elected Walther Hauser, Radical, of Wadenswell, Zurich, to be President of Switzerland for 1900. He was Vice-President during 1899.

At Emperor William's desire the Ministry of Culture, at Berlin, issued an order directing all Prussian universities and common schools to celebrate the new century,

The cruiser Albany, which was purchased by the United States of the Armstrongs, in England, at the outbreak of the Spanish War, is now completed.

Fears are entertained by the British of a revolt of the Dutch colonists in Cape Colony, owing to recent Boer victories.

Senor de Mier, the Mexican Minister to France, died at his residence in Rue Daru, Paris.

Mme. Lacroix and her three children were found dead in their lodgings in Paris France. They were very poor and had killed themselves by inhaling the fumes of charcoal.

General Methuen reports to the War Department, London, his loss in the battle of Magersfontein to have been 832 killed, wounded and missing.

The distress in the famine-stricken districts of India is becoming more acute About 2,250,000 persons have received relief.

Terrible tidal waves have been again devastating the oriental coasts in various parts and on different dates. Fatalities were the greatest on the island of Ceram, where some districts were devastated and almost all the inhabitants killed.

## CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

**Topic For the Week Beginning Dec. 24—Comment by Rev. S. H. Doyle.**

Topic.—Our royal brother.—Heb. i, 1-9; iii, 6. (A Christmas meeting.)

The intent and purpose of the book of Hebrews are to point out the relation between the Old Testament dispensation and the New and to show the superiority of the New over the Old. This is done by proving the superiority of Christ, the minister of the New dispensation, over the ministers of the Old—angels, Moses, Aaron and the Aaronic priesthood. In this first chapter the writer argues the superiority of Christ over angels. His superiority is shown to lie in the fact that, while the angels of God are ministering spirits or attendant worshipers at the Son's advent, Christ is associated with God in His majesty, a sharer of His everlasting throne. The angels are servants. Christ is a King.

1. Christ was born King. Though born under the most humble human circumstances, yet Christ was a King by birth in that He was the Son of God, who is King of kings and Lord of lords. Ancestry, and not surroundings at birth, makes royalty. The child of a king is royal born, no matter what may be the outward surroundings of his birth, and no amount of external royal trappings would make the child of any other a kingly child. Christ is the Son of God. By birth, therefore, though born in the humble manger at Bethlehem, He is a King.

2. Christ as King sits upon a throne. His throne is the throne of God. It is an everlasting throne. "Thy throne, O God, is forever and ever." It is a throne of which righteousness is the scepter. "A scepter of righteousness is the scepter of Thy kingdom."

3. Christ as a King possesses a kingdom. He is not a King without a kingdom, but a King with one of universal extent in both time and space. His kingdom is an everlasting kingdom. It is a universal kingdom. He reigns in heaven and upon earth. "God hath highly exalted Him and given Him a name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven and things in earth and things under the earth, and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of the Father." In this kingdom Christ exercises royal prerogatives. He rules, He governs, He rewards and punishes, and has absolute control of the lives and destinies of His subjects.

4. Christ is not only our King, but may also be our brother, our royal brother. "Christ (was faithful) as a son over His own house, of whose house are we if we hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm unto the end." We may thus become members of the household of Christ, His brethren, "heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ if so be that we suffer with Him, that we may be also glorified together."

Such a relationship to Christ is worthy of our best efforts and our highest ambitions, and in such a relation to a King we should keep His name and His honor unsullied and untarnished. Let us be worthy in thought, word and deed of the confidence and love of our royal brother.

Bible Readings.—Gen. iii, 15; Isa. vii, 14; xi, 1-10; Zech. ix, 9; Math. xxi, 1-11; Luke i, 26-33; ii, 1-20; John iii, 16; xviii, 33-38; I Tim. vi, 12-16; Rev. xv, 1-3; xvii, 14.

**Once the Veil Has Been Lifted.**

If one desires to understand the life of the best character, he must trace it away from the great cities, crossing monotonous plains until he comes to some lonely spot among the everlasting hills. It is there he will find the spring from which life begins, and, standing there, he will understand after what fashion the man believes, hopes, works and reasons. No doubt the stream will be re-enforced from many quarters, from literature, from art, from science, but the stream will also keep on its way, cutting through many a rocky obstacle, and to the very end it will carry with it some of the freshness and color of its origin. Great lives have mostly begun in some single moment, when the veil was lifted, revealing the things which are unseen and eternal. Once the veil has been lifted and the man has seen, you can trust that in his future life nothing can discourage that man again, for nothing can overcome him who has once seen God.—Ian Maclaren.

**The Vacation Season.**

It is gratifying to note that so many churches are open and careful provision made for acceptable preaching, but beyond this there is need of pastoral provision for the sick and the afflicted, and this often fails through too general an exodus of pastors. It would be a desirable innovation could some agreement be made among pastors to alternate in meeting this requirement. The Brooklyn Eagle publishes a list of 23 ministers in Brooklyn who are at home and ready to respond to calls for pastoral services. This is well and, whether fully adequate to the demand or not, is a step in the right direction.—Christian Intelligencer.

—J. B. Clark, Peoria, Ill., says: "Surgeons wanted to operate on me for piles, but I cured them with DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve." It is infallible for piles and skin diseases. Beware of counterfeits. A. B. Gillam, J. L. Houck.

**Bishop Gilbert Haven.**

He was born in Malden, Mass., in 1821 and died in the old homestead in 1880. He came of good New England Methodist stock, was graduated from Wesleyan university and took a place in the church for which he was well fitted. His was a personality very unlike that of any other man of his time in many particulars. He saw visions of things to be and with great energy set about making them real. He was a reformer and so was feared by many of the timid who dreaded to have old forms disturbed. As he grew old men

BISHOP GILBERT HAVEN.

found him in practical matters soundly conservative of all that was good and safely progressive where advance was needed.

His memorable work was done as editor of Zion's Herald and as bishop in the colored work of the south. His death was hastened by African fever contracted on his episcopal tour to Liberia. Whoever came close enough to him to form personal acquaintance found in him one of the most delightful and faithful of friends. He did much to quicken the church to a higher and broader as well as deeper and more intense life

**Personal Pledges.**

There is much of helpfulness in pledges made to each other among young people. It is not a sign of weakness, but of strength, to join together in any good resolution. A young man awakens to the fact that cigarette smoking is useless, is wasteful, may be harmful and ought to be given up. He resolves to smoke no more. Shall he go alone? He can do so. He is strong enough, but he likes company. He feels interested that others shall see the truth as he sees it. He talks, argues, persuades and induces others to do as he does. They agree. They pledge to each other. This is no surrender of personal liberty, but is a strengthening bond and cementer of friendship and promoter of genuine fellowship.

The League pledge is very valuable. We can well use these covenants in service more fully. Join together in service. Promise each other to be faithful in daily prayer, in testimony in the church meetings, to invite others to Jesus. Pledge and perform.

**Ring Out, Ye Bells!**

Ring out, wild bells, to the wild sky,
The flying cloud, the frosty light!
The year is dying in the night—
Ring out, wild bells, and let him die!

Ring out the old, ring in the new,
Ring, happy bells across the snow!
The year is going; let him go—
Ring out the false, ring in the true!

Ring out a slowly dying cause
And ancient forms of party strife;
Ring in the nobler modes of life,
With sweeter manners, purer laws!

Ring out false pride in place and blood,
The civic slander and the spite;
Ring in the love of truth and right,
Ring in the common love of good!

Ring out old shapes of foul disease;
Ring out the narrowing lust of gold;
Ring out the thorns and wars of old;
Ring in the thousand years of peace!

Ring in the valiant man and free,
The larger heart, the kindlier hand;
Ring out the darkness of the land;
Ring in the Christ that is to be!

—Tennyson.

**The Master.**

When earth's last picture is painted,
And the tubes are twisted and dried,
When the oldest colors have faded
And the youngest critic has died,
We shall rest, and, faith, we shall need it,
Lie down for an eon or two,
Till the Master of all good workmen
Shall set us to work anew.

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And only the Master shall praise us,
And only the Master shall blame,
And no one shall work for money,
And no one shall work for fame,
But each for the joy of the working,
And each in his separate star,
Shall draw the thing as he sees it,
For the God of things as they are.

—Selected.

**A Child's Laugh.**

Strike with hand of fire, O weird musician, thy harp strung with Apollo's golden hair; fill the vast cathedral aisles with symphonies sweet and dim, deft toucher of the organ keys: blow, bugler, blow until the silver notes do touch and kiss the moonlit waves and charm the lovers wandering midst the vine clad hills! But know your sweetest strains are discord all compared with childhood's happy laugh—the laugh that fills the eyes with light and every heart with joy!—Robert Ingersoll.

**Marriage Licenses.**

William H. Brown and Birdie Irvin, both of Pennsylvania Furnace.

Thomas M. Hoover, Dunlo, Cambria county, and Frances LePors, Robertsdale.

Sylvester Ritchie, Carbon township, and Mary A. Brown, Hopewell township.

Rannel McDonnald, Maddensville, and Mattie Stenson, Clear Ridge, Pa.

Morrell Kurtz, East Pittsburg, and Jennie Appleby, Shirleysburg.

Robert T. McCahan, Johnstown, and Minnie Strouse, Huntingdon.

George W. Thompson, Mount Union, and Annie E. Palmer, Mellington, Ill.

W. N. Harris, Barree township, and Mary P. Varner, Miller township.

**Deeds Entered for Record.**

U. G. Piper and wife to Chestnut Hampton, property in Dublin township. Consideration $550.

The Keystone Boiler Co. to The Keystone Boiler and Radiator Co., property in Huntingdon. Consideration $1.

B. S. Rumberger, sheriff, to Henry Leister, property in Huntingdon. Consideration $1025.

B. S. Rumberger, sheriff, to Henry Leister, property in Huntingdon. Consideration $910.

Henrietta Wallace to Henry Leister, property in Huntingdon. Consideration $800.

E. S. McMurtrie, executor, to John H. Hutchison, property in Alexandria. Consideration $600.

Nathan G. Horton to Martha J. Hissong, property in Cassville. Consideration $1.00.

**Life's Mirror.**

There are loyal hearts, there are spirits brave,
There are souls that are pure and true!
Then give to the world the best you have,
And the best will come back to you.

Give love, and love to your life will flow,
A strength in your utmost need.
Have faith, and a score of hearts will show
Their faith in your word and deed.

Give truth, and your gifts will be paid in kind,
And honor will honor meet,
And a smile that is sweet will surely find
A smile that is just as sweet.

Give pity and sorrow to those who mourn.
You will gather, in flowers, again
The scattered seeds from your thought outborne,
Though the sowing seemed but vain.

For life is the mirror of king and slave—
'Tis just what we are and do.
Then give to the world the best you have,
And the best will come back to you.

—Selected.

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MUFFLERS, either in the large square ones in white or colored at 25c to $2.00, or the new Yale Mufflers. There are some beauties in this lot; price 50c to $2.00.

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HANDKERCHIEFS, in cotton, linen or silk, at 5c to $1.25. Initial Handkerchiefs, in Silk or Japanese silk, 12½ to 50c.

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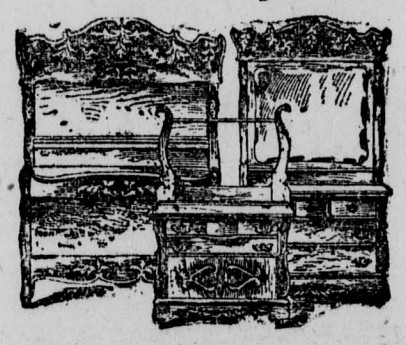

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